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CHINESE FIRE ON WARSHIPS

Indiscriminate Attacks on
Vessels on the Yangtze
River Continue

SHANGHAI, May 4 (AP)—Indiscriminate firing on British warships on the Yangtze River continues. The gunboat Cockchafer was under rifle fire today near Nanking while conveying steamer, but there were no casualties. The destroyer Wanderer was fired on with rifles at Kiangyin, a member of the crew being slightly wounded. Both warships returned the fire.

WASHINGTON, May 4 (AP)—Intimations of official irritation over press reports from foreign sources purporting to state the attitude of the Washington Government on questions in China were given at the White House yesterday in connection with a flat denial of such a report that John Van A. MacMurray, American Minister at Peking, had resigned because of differences with the State Department over American policy in China.

President Coolidge, it was said, knows of no foundation for the report that Mr. MacMurray has or intends to resign. The President's attention has been called to a number of reports of foreign origin of the same character and he looks with considerable suspicion as to the motives which underlie their circulation.

In the present chaotic condition within the ranks of the Nationalist Party in China, the President does not see that any advantage could be derived by sending another note regarding the Nanking outrages.

LONDON, May 4 (AP)—An American lawyer engaged to defend Mme. Borodina and other Russians about to be tried with her on charges of conspiracy against the Northern Chinese Government, has not been permitted to speak to the prisoners, says a Peking dispatch to the Daily Express. The name of the lawyer is not given.

The Westminster Gazette's Peking correspondent, reporting the arrival at Peking of Mme. Borodina and the other prisoners, says they were under military escort and a strong guard. It was stated that the Northern authorities had not yet decided whether these prisoners, who were arrested when the Soviet steamer Pamiat Lenina was seized, should be tried together with the agitators captured when the Soviet embassy compound in Peking was raided by Marshal Chang Tso-li's agents on April 6.

At police headquarters in Peking, according to the Westminster Gazette dispatch, it was said that documents seized on the Pamiat Lenina proved conclusively that those accused were engaging in plots against the Northern Chinese Government.

PRIZE MONEY LUMPED FOR OVERSEA FLIERS

Special from Monitor Bureau.
NEW YORK—Clarence D. Chamberlin and Lloyd W. Bertaud will share in a purse of \$50,000 if their attempt to fly from New York to Paris in the Bellanca monoplane which recently set a new world record for endurance flying proves successful. Charles A. Levine, chairman of the Columbia Aircraft Corporation, which is backing the flight, said that all the money which has been offered for a successful trans-Atlantic flight will be lumped for the fliers.

Bert Acosta who, with Mr. Chamberlin, piloted the monoplane during its long stay in the air, will also receive a portion of the \$50,000 fund, but this share will be smaller than that of the two men who make the trip. Mr. Acosta recently relinquished voluntarily in favor of Mr. Chamberlin his chance of being chosen as pilot of the Bellanca during the New York to Paris flight.

BOSTON AUTHOR'S CLUB SYMPOSIUM NEARS END

Mrs. Frederick H. Briggs is to read "The King's Henchman," by Edna St. Vincent Millay at the last



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meeting of the season of the Symposium with the Boston Friday Club at 3 Joy Street on Friday evening. Prof. Robert E. Rogers of Massachusetts Institute of Technology, will speak briefly on the trend in current American drama.

At a meeting Monday evening at the studio of Miss Elizabeth Siedoff, 6 Newbury Street, the compositions for piano by Miss Helen A. Clarke were played by Miss Siedoff. These were "Rhapsody," "The Hidden Dark" and "Flight." Miss Elsie Winsor Bird sang Miss Clarke's settings for the voice of "Green Bird" lyrics by Charlotte Porter, and "Ashes of the Sea," the music for which was written by Miss Clarke. Miss Dorothy Brewster Comstock played some eighteenth century music for the violin.

The "Minute Man" of April, 1917



Pietro Montana, Sculptor, at Work in His New York Studio Putting the Finishing Touches to His Model of the War Memorial Which is to be Unveiled at East Providence, R. I., on July 3 by Dwight F. Davis, Secretary of War.

FELLOWSHIP IS WON BY BOSTON STUDENT

To Edward D. Stone of Boston, a student at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, has been awarded the Rotch traveling fellowship, said to be the oldest architectural fellowship in the United States. The announcement was made last night by Hubert G. Ripley, president of the Boston Society of Architects, at its monthly dinner.

Barnett S. Gruzen, a student at Massachusetts Institute of Technology, received the second prize in the contest, \$100 in gold, given by the Boston Society of Architects. Ralph Harrington Doane, architect, at 162 Newbury Street, received the I. Harleston Parker medal for his design of the motor mart in Park Square.

The Rotch fellowship was given for

MESOPOTAMIAN CESSION RUMOR

London Daily Mail's Proposed Transfer to Italy—Pleases Fascist Press

By Wireless via Postal Telegraph from Halifax

ROME, May 4.—The proposal made by the London Daily Mail that Great Britain should transfer to Italy its mandate over Mesopotamia has filled the Italian press with the deepest satisfaction, and the fact that the suggestion is seriously made by a leading British newspaper is considered one of the greatest importance. Although the most important Fascist newspapers refrain from commenting on the proposal, two journals, *Tevere* and *Impero*, which, more than any other Fascist organs, have insisted on the necessity of territorial expansion, publish significant articles.

Tevere regards the proposal of transfer of Mesopotamia and Palestine to Italy as a "semiofficial offer" which opens the question of a redistribution of mandates. It is generally known, writes the paper, that the possession of Palestine and Mesopotamia is causing considerable commotion in the Government and in the Italian press.

In the former case Italy would not raise an objection to taking over the right of rejecting the British offer if it considered the burden too heavy. *Impero* considers the offer alleged to be made by the British paper as a proof of the national political wisdom of Great Britain and expresses gratitude for Great Britain's friendly act toward Italy.

Although the Italian Government has not been approached on the matter, the fact that the problem of the cession of the mandate to Italy has been raised in Great Britain is most significant and shows the intimacy of the relations between Rome and London.

HOBOKEN SCOUTS SET
CAMP-MAKING RECORD

Beaver Patrol Pitches Tents
Within Three Minutes

HOBOKEN, N. J., May 4 (Special)

A new record for pitching and breaking camp has been established by the Beaver Patrol of Troop 1, Boy Scouts, and as a mark of distinction, denoting this patrol as world champions, a set of scarlet wheels has been attached to the trek cart.

The patrol carries a "pine tree outfit" consisting of five pup-tents, duff bags, ponchos and blankets for eight Scouts and a leader, together with complete kitchen equipment. The outfit is transported in the trek cart, which is convertible into a table and two benches.

The patrol attended the Eastern States Conference, held recently at Springfield, Mass., and gave a demonstration before about 2000 people. At that time it came within four seconds of equalling the world's record, held by a Stamford (Conn.) troop. Later it was allowed a special trial and established the camp in two minutes 46.5 seconds. The world's record was three minutes flat. In breaking camp and packing the outfit, the patrol lowered the record by about 19 seconds, establishing a new record of three minutes and three-fifths of a second.

The patrol consists of Leo Lebois, leader; Walter Jensen, assistant leader; Rudolph Hibler, scribe; Emanuel Solomon, baker; Robert Folker, lighter; William Wallace, water boy; Rupert Fooks, handy man, and James Young, woodman.

D. A. R. ACCEPTS INVITATION
BRUNSWICK, Me., May 3 (AP)—An invitation extended by the Topsham and Brunswick chapter, D. A. R., to the state organization for the annual convention in March, 1928, was accepted yesterday by the state regent, Mrs. Susan Shaw of Portland.

LABOR'S SELF-DENIAL SCHEME AIMED AT UNION REFORM BILL

Seven Days' Abstention From Drink, Tobacco and Entertainment Proposed by British Labor Leader

By Wireless from Monitor Bureau via Postal Telegraph from Halifax

LONDON, May 4.—Labor's self-denial scheme for a protest against the Government's trade union reform bill has advanced a further stage. The general council of the Trade Union Congress is considering proposals from Joseph Toole, former member of Parliament, for seven days' abstention in June by all trade unionists from drink, tobacco and every kind of entertainment, the money so saved—which it is claimed may amount to £250,000—to be devoted to opposing the bill.

At the same time, seven Labor M.P.s—Frederick Montague, William Cluse, Richard Wallhead, Thomas Groves, George Lansbury, Wilfred Lockwood and Dr. Alfred Salter—have given notice of a motion at the meeting of the Labor Party for six months' abstention from drink and tobacco by the Labor members of Parliament, after the bill has passed "as a lead to the workers."

Opposition Nays
The opposition to the bill in the House of Commons meanwhile continues noisy. The Government speakers last night had so much difficulty in obtaining a hearing that the Conservatives began discussing the possibility of "guillotine" measures to prevent a further waste of time. Even the Labor members have begun to protest. Frank Rose, Aberdeen representative, for example, in opposing the bill as "based on a policy

of crude suppression," criticized also his own party's attitude as "based on a crude denunciation and nothing else."

The comment which produced the greatest impression in the House, however, was that of George A. Spencer, member for Broxtowe, who, in continuing his speech yesterday told a personal story of trade union intimidation used against him when he negotiated with the employers on behalf of miners who wanted to return to work during the coal stoppage, a story on this occasion so much interrupted and harrowing that Sir Laming Worthington-Evans, the War Minister, said of it afterwards, "No one could listen to the Honorable Member for Broxtowe without his blood boiling at the fears with which his courageous speech was greeted."

Among the sentences Mr. Spencer was not allowed to complete was one in which he told simply how he and his wife had sat down at home to talk over the situation. "I told her," he said, "what I saw to be the truth about the economic facts in industry and what I thought my duty to the men under the circumstances. I said, 'I expect I shall have to get a fresh job,' and we agreed I should go back and work in the pit again rather than poison my (here the termination was drowned by interruptions and counter cheering)."

Mr. Spencer also had something to say about the Liberals' attitude in

opposing the measure. If Liberalism he said, "thinks more of expediency than of individual liberty, from that moment Liberalism will have spent itself as a political force."

Mr. Lloyd George, speaking at Blackpool last night, replied for the Liberals, where he denounced the bill as a case of "one class snarling at another," adding that this was not the time for "ruinous civil wars."

The bill's committee stage commences Tuesday, and already Labor has sent in 180 amendments, all avowedly purely destructive. The Liberals, on the other hand, are preparing amendments designed to improve the measure.

\$10,000,000 LOAN OFFER TURNED DOWN

By Wireless via Postal Telegraph from Halifax

BUCHAREST, May 4.—After protracted deliberations the Bucharest municipality has turned down the offer of Ulen & Co., the New York contractors, for a \$10,000,000 loan. As outlined already in the Monitor, when Ulen's terms had been provisionally accepted, the money was to be used for city improvements and a water-power development project under American supervision.

According to the press, the municipality's decision to refuse the loan is because the conditions proposed are not only too generous but threaten to take out of the city's hands control over their own finances.

GRANGE DAY IS OBSERVED

Members in New Hampshire
Giving Day's Work to
Local Organizations

DURHAM, N. H., May 4 (Special)

Grange Day is being observed by grangers all over New Hampshire today, the activities generally taking the form of a day's work in the improvement of the local grange.

"Learning to work together by communities is one of the great needs of New Hampshire agriculture," says J. C. Kendall, director of the State University Extension Service. "It is this spirit which made possible the extraordinary development of Denmark, and the more that it can be exemplified by unselfish labor, such as that proposed in this instance, the better."

"As I understand this new development in the Grange, the idea is to devote one day to local improvement. It seems to me that the plan is well worth continuing as an annual event, and possibly expanding also to include improvement, not only of the Grange, but of the community as a whole."

"Many cities have found that by planning for future development they have avoided difficulties and dangers that previously had troubled them. In the same way we need to plan for the future of our villages and farms, and we need to co-operate together to solve local problems."

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FRANCE READY TO PAY AMERICA WAR STOCK DEBT

Paris Believed Contemplating Repetition of Gesture Made to Britain

By SISLEY HUDDLESTON
By Special Cable

PARIS, May 3.—The French Ambassador to the United States, Paul Claudel, is waiting France and is engaged in a series of conferences which will probably greatly modify the financial and general policy of France toward the United States. He had an interview with Aristide Briand at which it is assumed, the project of a Franco-American declaration of perpetual peace was further discussed.

The diplomatic relations between the two countries are extremely important, but nevertheless it is felt they are dominated by financial relations and, therefore, M. Claudel's conversations with M. Briand will be perhaps decisive. There is reason to believe the Premier has developed special views concerning the desirability of France's complete independence in the new negotiations which have become probable.

Poincaré's Intentions
The position of M. Claudel in taking up the Washington post was peculiar. He went directly from Tokyo, where he was Ambassador, to the United States. He did not come to France for instructions before taking possession of his post. This was partly due to the inconvenience of travel, but was also due to the fact that his predecessor had left Washington nearly a year and the services had been run provisionally by a councilor. It was considered good that he should, without delay, exchange greetings with President Coolidge and study the work of the Embassy. Evidently, however, it was essential to return to France as early as possible to reach a clear understanding with Raymond Poincaré.

That M. Claudel's chief purpose is to discuss finance is sufficiently shown in that M. Claudel is accompanied by Lacour Gayet, who has, since the departure of Henry Berenson, maintained a liaison between the French Government and the American Treasury Department.

Some clue to M. Poincaré's intentions is seen in the passage in his speech: "Our foreign currency services will enable us to get foreign payments, not to accept blindly obligations running into the distant future which we are not certain of being able to keep, and to shake off foreign constraint."

Ready to Pay Immediately

This statement is commented on in the Paris press. It is recalled that the payment of \$400,000,000 dollars for American war stocks should be paid in 1925. The sum seemed enormous last year when the debt agreement was signed. It is suggested that France is now ready to pay not in 1925, but immediately, and contemplates repaying the gesture which it recently made in the case of Great Britain to which it reimbursed its debt by anticipations.

It would certainly be in keeping with M. Poincaré's manner, which is to proceed quietly, slowly and surely with each step, however, having a cumulative effect of surprise. The newspaper *Liberté* adds: "France can examine its war debt with the United States not as a trembling debtor under threat of seizure but as a free country on an equal footing with its creditor, and can defend its interests with a proud demeanor."

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The Provincial Government has appointed Prof. R. C. Wallace of the University of Manitoba as Commissioner of Mines. This position may grow into a separate department of mines in the Provincial Government, as announced by the Premier, John Bracken, in announcing the appointment. As the natural resources of Manitoba are controlled by the Federal Government, the Provincial Government has taken the only step within its power to facilitate the development of legitimate mining projects within the Province. Professor Wallace will be required to co-operate in his work with the federal Department of Mines, as well as the Industrial Development Board of Manitoba, the Manitoba Chamber of Mines and the Mining and Metallurgical Institute of Canada.

SAVING IN BIENNIAL ELECTIONS FORECAST

BEVERLY, Mass., May 4.—Biennial sessions of the Massachusetts Legislature would save the taxpayers of this State about \$500,000 yearly, Eben S. Draper of Hopedale, president of the Republican Club of Massachusetts and former State Senator, told members of the Women's Republican Club last night. Mr. Draper said that there is a demand throughout the State for this move which he characterized to be entirely progressive and in keeping with the advance of the times. He added:

"Three different years while I was a member of the General Court, I introduced a proposal for a constitutional amendment which would ultimately permit the voters to decide upon it. The last two Republican platforms in this State have urged the adoption of this measure, and as a Republican I believe it is the bounden duty of legislators to keep faith with a party promise. It is a progressive step. Essentially the same futile arguments are being used against it as in the long fight for biennial elections of state officers. I shall continue to advocate biennial sessions of the Legislature in the interest of efficient and representative state government."

CAMBRIDGE SCOUTS HOLD HONOR COURT

Cambridge Council, Boy Scouts of America, held their Court of Honor last night in Sanders Theater where Mayor Edward W. Quinn of Cambridge and Mayor Edwin O. Childs of Newton addressed them. Before the exercises, over which Wayland M. Minot presided, the Boy Scouts, 750 strong, marched from Lafayette Square past City Hall, where they were reviewed by Cambridge officials, to Harvard Square and thence to the theater.

The awarding of three Eagle badges, the highest Scout honor, and 65 merit badges was one of the features of the evening. Charles Almy, president of the Cambridge Council Boy Scouts, awarded the badges.

AUSTRALIANS IN HOLYOKE
HOLYOKE, Mass., May 4 (Special).—A group of 10 members of the Australian industrial delegation, now on a tour of this country, is inspecting this city's industries. Adam Wilkinson, chairman of the Chamber of Commerce reception committee, and representatives of the labor unions, are hosts to the guests.

Air Trading Between Americas Believed to Be Near Reality

W. P. MacCracken Tells Pan-American Commercial Conference High Speed of Cargo Ships Will Cut Time and Costs

Special from Monitor Bureau

WASHINGTON, May 4.—Distance is slowly but surely being obliterated; with it goes misunderstanding, and we perceive men from far places, speaking different tongues but a common language, sitting around the conference table and discussing their common problems, said Roy D. Chapin, president of the National Automobile Chamber of Commerce, speaking on "New World Roads," addressing the delegates at the third Pan-American Commercial Conference.

"As the automotive vehicles are put in play," he said, "linking the great areas of raw material with the prosperous cities along the coast line, it is reasonable to assume that the volume of the export movement will be notably increased in Latin America, and as you prosper we, as well as other countries of the world, will feel the reaction. Out of the new transportation system will come a connected system of highways. May the day be close at hand when the Pan-American highway, visualized by all of us as a new Road of Friendship between our countries, shall be a reality."

Cheap Air Rates for Cargo

Aircraft in its present state of development offers a speed, he pointed out, of from 60 to 120 miles an hour for cargo, which means lower costs and broader markets. Not every community can have a harbor, or even a railroad, but airports may be established within a short distance of the places where men live and work. The only air lines in the world that are making a profit without Government subsidy are to be found on the American continent, Mr. MacCracken asserted. In order that international air navigation may develop, it is necessary that the members of the Pan-American Union come to an agreement permitting commercial aircraft to fly from one state to another.

It was because of action by the Fifth International Conference in Chile in 1925, he explained, that the joint sessions of the Inter-American Commercial Aviation Commission and the Third Pan-American Commercial Conference were made possible. After adjournment, the commission will formulate a convention to serve as the cornerstone of inter-American air commerce.

Outlining the success of the air mail in the United States, Mr. MacCracken said he believed that similar service would be extended to the other countries. Commercial air operations now in effect in South America will constitute the nucleus of a great system of inter-American airways, he thought.

Justifies Panama Canal

J. P. Grace, president of W. R. Grace & Co., who spoke on "Transportation of the West Coast of Central and South America," said that the cutting down of distances between the United States and the countries on the west coast of South America alone would have warranted the building of the Panama Canal.

Soon after the opening of the canal, he said, the World War practically closed European markets to South and Central America and the people then began to take advantage of the direct and shortened route established by American lines. New York is now the one great world center which can be reached comfortably in the shortest time from the west coast of the Americas, he pointed out.

Speaking for the Munson Lines which ply between the United States and the east coast of South America, Frank C. Munson said that they were anxious to improve their service but must be guided by the

increase in business. The giving of mail contracts to the American Steamship Lines was praised, not only because it was of great assistance to his lines but because he said he believed it to be sound national policy.

The tours being arranged for students from the United States to spend a part of the summer vacation in South America, Mr. Munson regarded not only as an academic opportunity but of practical value in giving first hand information regarding traditions and customs of the sister republics.

BOARD TO UNITE RADIO STATIONS

Drastic Changes Proposed to Relieve Chicago and New York Congestion

Special from Monitor Bureau

WASHINGTON, May 3.—Drastic consolidation of radio broadcasting stations in New York and Chicago, both as to frequency and power, has been determined upon by the Federal Radio Commission as the solution of the problem of congestion prevalent in both centers. The commission is now engaged in effecting such consolidations by compromises and agreements between stations. Those stations which decline to co-operate with the commission will be ordered to do so.

Within the next two weeks the commission will make public its structure of license reallocations. This license granting will be on a 60-day basis and through it the commission will undertake to do what it could not do in the issuing of the temporary permits, on which all stations are now operating.

Members of the commission explained that in giving temporary permits the commission did not attempt to solve the problem of congestion in the air. The commission when it directed radio stations to submit applications for temporary permits was operating in the dark. It took this action not only to give operators the legal authority to continue but in order to ascertain how many stations were actually doing business.

In issuing the permits the commission wherever able did attempt to relieve particularly bad situations. It was able to clear the Canadian channels, abolish split kilocycle broadcasting, and correct certain abuses of power. Not over 100 stations, however, sustained changes in either frequency or power.

BROWNING GROUP TO MEET

"Browning as an Interpreter of Modern Life," will be the subject of an address to be given by the Rev. Dr. Samuel McChord Crothers at a meeting of the Boston Browning Society to celebrate the birthday anniversary of the poet at the Hotel Vendome next Saturday afternoon.

'CANNON' CASTS LIGHT 10 MILES

"Sky-Writing" Beam to Be Shown at Pan-American Aircraft Exhibition

Special from Monitor Bureau

WASHINGTON, May 3.—The All-America Aircraft Exhibit opened at Bolling Field here with the arrival of the Good Will Pan-American fliers from their far trip.

The exhibits of aeronautical industries fill two hangars. There are several commercial airplanes of the cabin type, embodying the latest features of aircraft design and construction. These, if one has the price—from \$20,000 to \$40,000—insure every comfort that can be obtained by the highest priced automobile.

The Government exhibits an army Curtiss racer equipped with wheels. As a seaplane this ship, piloted by an army officer, won the Schneider Cup. It has never been exhibited in Washington, and it may be kept permanently at the Smithsonian Institution. Curtiss, Pratt & Whitney, Packard and Wright companies are represented with engines of their manufacture, the Curtiss company having the new V-1550 water-cooled power plant with a horsepower of over 500 on exhibition. Pratt & Whitney have the Hornet and Wasp air-cooled engines of the nine-cylinder type; the Packard company has the V-shaped water-cooled engine of over 400 horsepower; and the Wrights have the Whirlwind.

The Post Office Department has a booth with models and photographs showing the workings of the air-mail service, and visitors may buy air-mail stamps. The Department of Agriculture and the Geological Survey have exhibits of aircraft photography.

Pan-American delegates will be welcomed with a "shot" into space at the initial public demonstration of a new sky-writing searchlight, just completed at the Schenectady plant of the General Electric Company in co-operation with engineers of the Aerograph Company of America.

Resembling a "Big Bertha" cannon, the gun, built of aluminum and mounted on pneumatic tires, throws a beam of light 10 to 12 miles in the air. At the end of the beam words and figures stand out in clear relief. It has no long a range that its message can be read within a circle having a diameter of 14 miles. Engineers have been at work on

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this and preliminary "guns" for the last 10 years trying to build a machine which would clearly cast an image on the sky. The completed model uses 400,000,000 candlepower of high intensity light. Gregor Melnikov, of Chicago, the inventor, will be present.

CAMBRIDGE HOME DEBATED

The proposed expenditure of \$425,000 for a new Cambridge City Home, to be erected beside Fresh Pond, was debated last night at the meeting of the Cambridge City Council. The loan order will come up for final consideration next Tuesday. Bernard Welch, a member of the board of public welfare, said the proposed expenditure is fair, because the new home is to be built for use over a long period of years. Ralph W. Robert, former Councilman, opposed the proposition.

SECRETARY OF LABOR TO DEDICATE BRIDGE

James J. Davis, Secretary of Labor, will be the principal speaker at exercises to be held in connection with the dedication of the John W. Weeks Memorial Bridge over the Charles River on Saturday, May 14. The bridge connects the Graduate School of Business Administration of Harvard and the university proper. More than 4000 invitations have been sent out for the dedicatory exercises. The bridge is to be formally presented to the University by Henry Hornblower in behalf of the donors who were business associates and friends of Mr. Weeks. A Lawrence Lowell, president of Harvard University, will respond for the fellows of the institution and he, in turn, will deliver the bridge to the State, for which Governor Fuller will respond.

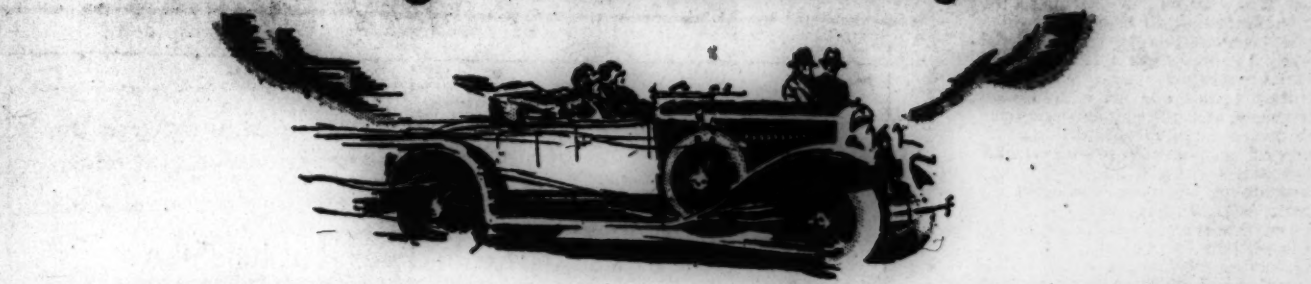
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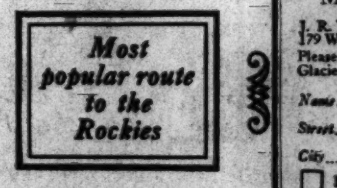
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HOT SPRINGS, Ark.—Marked reductions in crimes against member banks of the American Bankers Association were reported to the executive council of the association here by James E. Baum, manager of the protective department, who declared that the organization's nation-wide campaign against criminals is increasing in effectiveness. The committee report especially indorsed the Baumes laws of New York as effective means to curb crime.

"Marked reduction in crimes of violence against member banks occurred last year as compared with 1921 and 1924, the peak years of bank robbery," the report said in part: "An appreciable reduction is also noted in forgeries, swindles, and check-thefts reported by member banks."

"The Protective Committee indorses the changes in the criminal laws last year in New York State as a demonstration of law-abiding citizens. Generally known as the 'Baumes laws,' these changes give the police and law-abiding citizens an even chance with habitual felons, particularly the fourth offender who is subject to a mandatory sentence of imprisonment for the rest of his natural life."

"The practical value of these laws is best measured by results. After a test of six months of their operation coupled with more efficient police work inspired by their effect, serious crimes in New York have been cut in half. But the New York Police Department has identified too many photographs of criminals arrested in other states. Anticipating this fight of the crook from stern penalties, the Protective Committee last year urged the Baumes laws as models for other states and the results have been gratifying."

HOT SPRINGS, Ark., May 3 (Special)—Extension of clearing house association work, including credit bureaus and voluntary clearing house examinations is becoming the chief reliance in promoting better banking. In the view of John R. Downing, president of the clearing house section of the American Bankers Association, at the organization's executive council meeting he described the efficacy of such examinations in promoting better and safer banking.

"Plans are well under way, looking toward installation of district clearing houses and examiner systems in certain sections of Minnesota, Utah, Iowa and other states," Downing said. "It is incumbent on every banker to be alert and positively active in furthering this constructive movement to stabilize banking, to establish public confidence and to preserve our independent system of banking. And if our independent system is to be preserved, the price we will have to pay is vigilance. If we as bankers—and I am speaking broadly—continue to hold the confidence of the public, we must deserve it."

"The system of clearing house examinations now in successful operation in 31 cities, has demonstrated its efficacy in promoting better and safer banking to a degree that should enlist the support not only of those remaining large cities without the benefit of this system, but also by smaller communities and sections. The best safeguards of sound banking are intelligence and integrity, plus careful supervision."

The amounts of capital and numbers of workers now involved in the Nation's use of automobiles are greater than similar items for all its railroads, it was declared in a report of the commerce and marine commission of the association. The report emphasizes that automotive encroachment on railway passenger traffic is growing serious.

Ten thousand dollars was appropriated by the American Bankers Association to the American Red Cross for relief work in the flood areas.

SHIPPING FACTS APPROVED

WASHINGTON (AP)—Two agreements of the American-Hawaiian Steamship Company providing for the shipment on through bills of lading of goods from Atlantic coast ports to Gray's Harbor, Wash., have been approved by the Shipping Board. The agreements provide a combination of through local rates plus transfer charges at San Francisco.

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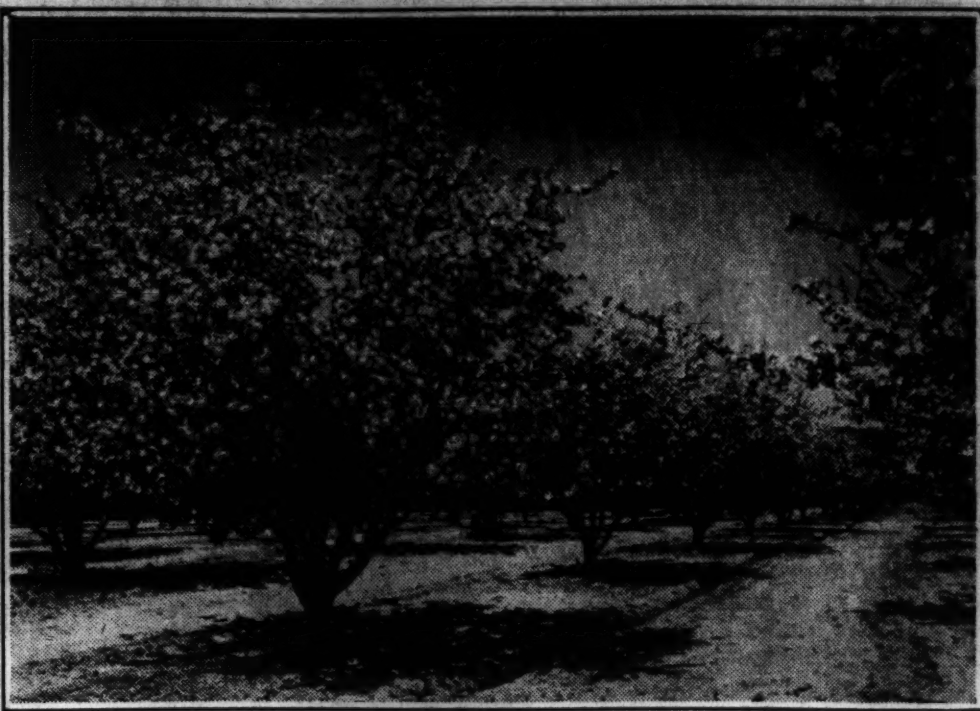
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One Handkerchief
Leads to Success

ENID, Okla. (Special Correspondence)—The sale of one handkerchief, more as a joke than a serious commercial transaction, started Mrs. W. H. Rochester in a business that has proved remunerative to her and has given employment to others. The first transaction took place in 1921 in Topeka, Kan. From that the enterprise has succeeded until 10,000 handkerchiefs a year are being marketed in wholesale quantities to department stores and gift shops in six or eight large cities in widely separated corners of the United States.

Mrs. Rochester does her own designs. All of her selling is direct to buyers for the large stores. She pays her women helpers according to the amount of work they do. She mentioned one who made \$54 in her spare time last month. This woman, a widow, milks five cows daily and churns butter twice a week. In addition she takes her children to school and brings them home.

When Mrs. Rochester first came to Enid she worked as secretary to the head of a local bank, and while in Topeka was secretary to an official of the Santa Fe Railway Company.

PRINCE TO IMPROVE
HIS "E. P." RANCH

HIGH RIVER, Alta. (Special Correspondence)—W. L. Carlyle, manager of the E. P. Ranch at High River, has returned from holding an interview with the Prince of Wales in London and has stated that considerable alterations and additions will be made to the ranch house on the Prince's Alberta farm. These alterations are to be completed before the Prince's visit to his ranch in August.

A lounge, reception room and several more bedrooms will be added to the present modest log-cabin home of the Prince in Canada. A new home for the men will be built, also a milk room, cold storage building, root house and a new barn to replace the present log structure which houses the horses. Mr. Carlyle said that the Prince of Wales did not aim to make his ranch a "show place" and that these additions and improvements were absolutely necessary.

INTERNATIONAL PAPER COMPANY
In order to contribute toward the financing of its expansion program, the International Paper Company is offering common shareholders \$100,000 additional shares of common stock at \$10 a share in the ratio of one new share for each share now held. The new issue, which has been underwritten by International Securities Company without expense to the company, will provide \$1,000,000 of new money.

Boys in 'Teens
Build Cruiser

MULBERRY, Ark. (Special Correspondence)—Two brothers in their teens, Knute and Rex Nielsen, did all the work on a 31-foot cabin cruiser, even to felling an oak tree, from which they fashioned a prow and keel, and hauled the other lumber over roads in the southern foothills of the Ozarks from a sawmill 20 miles away, so that the family might have a home on the river. Their only directions came from their father, a former seaman and shipbuilder.

So proud were the boys of their trim craft that they sailed it down the river to the State Capitol at Little Rock as soon as spring arrived. The cruiser was commended by the river men. They explained how one of the lads selected a large oak well suited for their purpose, and how they dug the earth from its roots, preserving a large root for the prow.

The tree felled, the boys fashioned it into a solid oak keel 4 by 4 inches. All the other lumber was cut from trees of their own selection. The family lived on the craft in Mulberry Creek for several months after its launching.

ODD TRAITS OF PRESIDENTS
RECALLED FROM "WHO'S WHO"Mr. Coolidge Typically Brief—Mr. Harding
Filled Out Questionnaire in Own Handwriting
—Roosevelt Signature on Revisions

Special from Monitor Bureau
CHICAGO—Laconically typical is the amount of space devoted to the sketch of Calvin Coolidge, President of the United States, in "Who's Who in America." It is so because Mr. Coolidge himself provided with his own pen the biographical data reported. Inquiry at the publishers here revealed that for a score of years it has been the habit of Presidents of the United States to prepare their own biographies for this book, though in some cases revisions have been forwarded by secretaries to the President.

The space given to Mr. Coolidge's list of accomplishments in the current issue is about one-fourth that required to list the achievements of a certain Chicago attorney-at-law, for illustration, and is considerably smaller than statements for hundreds of other celebrities.

The sketch of Calvin Coolidge first appeared in "Who's Who in New England" in 1905; at that time he was clerk of courts in Massachusetts. "He supplied the material for the sketch himself," continued this Boston office of America's celebrities. "Since then he has personally revised it. The draft bears his signature and certain alterations and additions also in his own handwriting. Notable among these are several honorary degrees which he had just received, degrees such as Doctor of Laws from Amherst, Tufts, and Williams Colleges. Every two years except since his election as President he has revised the sketch, his own handwriting appearing thereon. Since becoming President his secretary has made the revisions."

Mr. Coolidge continued that "back in 1915, when the late Warren G. Harding became United States Senator, he was asked to fill out a questionnaire and he promptly responded. The original material in his own handwriting is still in the hands of the publisher. He gave all the details as to his political career, but only gave his later business connections. Every two years his sketch was returned to be revised. Sometimes the revision was made by himself and sometimes

by his secretary. In a letter of Sept. 29, 1919, he wrote, in part: 'I am very glad to return the sketch with an ok added.'

"As to Theodore Roosevelt, the original material from him is stored away in vaults and is not readily accessible. His sketch appeared in the first edition of 'Who's Who in America,' that for 1898-1900. He was at that time organizing the Rough Riders. Presumably the questionnaire was filled out by himself, for later revisions were made by him and bear his signature. During the time he was President, however, his secretary corrected the sketch. As late as 1916 he personally made revisions."

"William Howard Taft's sketch has also appeared in 'Who's Who in America' since the first edition. Probably the original draft was made out by his secretary, for all later revisions except that for 1915 bear the signature of the secretary. In 1918 Mr. Taft, himself, wrote to the publisher requesting certain additions."

The biographical sketch of Woodrow Wilson is another which appeared in the book since the first edition. The original data is not available, but it was probably supplied by Dr. Wilson's secretary. A letter dated April 11, 1907, from Gilbert F. Cline, his secretary, stated: 'Dr. Wilson asked me to return the enclosed sketch of himself for "Who's Who in America," and to say that he has gone over it carefully and that it is all right as it stands.'

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STATE REGULATION HELPFUL, UTILITY EXECUTIVE AGREES

Mr. Edgar Says System of Control Adds to Safety of Business; Emphasizes Attractiveness of Field for College Men

"A public utility, like the Boston Edison Company, differs from the ordinary manufacturing company such as a cotton mill or a shoe factory in a number of fundamental ways," said Charles L. Edgar, president of the local company today talking before the second year students in the course in public utility management at the Harvard Graduate School of Business Administration, courses which are under the direction of Philip Cabot.

The three most important differences, Mr. Edgar explained, are: "First, the entirely different relations between the investment and the earnings of the two kinds of companies; second, the inability to store the product of the utility, and third, the necessity of using the output of the utility at a certain specified place, usually close to where it is manufactured."

Mr. Edgar used general illustrations to show that in the case of a utility fixed charges, including taxes, depreciation, and surplus, may represent the greater expense with a given volume of business, practically 50 per cent of the income, and in the case of a manufacturing concern, only 5 per cent on the income; the turnover of investment being from five to ten times more rapid in the ordinary manufacturing business.

Fixed Charges Are High
In general manufacturing, the volume of output may be increased until the fixed charges become a negligible part of the costs while with the utility, increase of output directly increases the fixed charges. "Every effort, therefore, must be made," said President Edgar, "to get more product out of the existing plant."

"In ability to store the manufactured product, electricity, is a problem for the utility not met with in any other business. If every pair of shoes had to be put into use, the instant it came off the machine, you would have a condition paralleling the public utility," said Mr. Edgar.

Continuing, he said: "The questions

of continuity and reliability of service, construction of plant with proper overhead capacity, so that at no time will the demand for current be greater than the capacity to manufacture, are problems entirely outside the knowledge of the ordinary manufacturer. The fundamental difference between the utility and other forms of manufacturing industry is that it must deliver its product instantly as needed at specified places. Mr. Edgar showed in comparison with the manufacturer in another field who can store his goods at his plant, shipping them out as needed to fill orders, or can ship them to dealers in different parts of the country as the goods are needed.

Rate Structure Perplexing
Growing out of these fundamental differences between the utility and the ordinary manufacturing business, are the problems of flexibility in rate structure, and load factor, which Mr. Edgar discussed at some length.

"The public utility business is continually met with a demand for change in rates. It is true that this is due to the fact that the utility brings to the attention of most of its customers all of its various rates. If this were done in the transportation world and the man shipping a case of shoes from Lynn to New York had to understand all of the rates on all of the roads on all the various kinds of produce handled by the railroad, he would come to the conclusion that electric rates are very simple after all. It is true that we are under regulation, we have all come to look upon this as a factor of safety rather than as any disadvantage."

In closing, Mr. Edgar emphasized the attractiveness of the utility business for college men.

TOWN RAILWAY PROVING SUCCESS

Greenfield-Montague Line Improving Its Service

TURNERS FALLS, Mass., May 4 (Special).—The story of successful town ownership and operation of a street railway system was recited by Charles F. Mosher, trustee of the Greenfield-Montague Transportation Area, at the Rotary Club luncheon yesterday.

The railway property, when purchased by the town, was barely better than junk, said Mr. Mosher, yet the Board of Trade and Chamber of Commerce of Turners Falls and Greenfield, respectively, carried through a project whereby the two towns assumed the property for \$101,000.

Despite the expected deficits, improvements have been made until the service is one of the best and most comfortable in the State, Mr. Mosher said. Traffic has increased, and the system is paying its own way, all within the space of a few years.

B. U. GRADUATION TO BE AT ARENA

Change in Plan Will Permit Many More to Attend Senior Exercises

For the first time in six years, Boston University commencement exercises will be held elsewhere than in Symphony Hall, according to an announcement today in the current issue of "Bostonia," official alumni publication. This year's commencement will be held in the Boston Arena, the change being made in an effort to accommodate the literally hundreds of parents and friends who have been unable to obtain tickets to the commencement exercises held in the past. The university commencement exercises will be held this year on Monday, June 13, with a graduating class of approximately 1100 seniors receiving degrees.

The previous day, June 12, will be baccalaureate Sunday, and an all-university alumni reunion will occupy Saturday, June 11. Baccalaureate and commencement speakers have not been announced.

The Alumni Day program is expected to bring together one of the largest groups of graduates of any occasion in recent years. A feature will be the all-university alumni dinner on the evening of Saturday, June 11. Also marking the day will be the fiftieth anniversary meeting of the class of 1877. To the alumni of the College of Liberal Arts this event is of special interest because the graduation class of 1877 includes the first class graduated from that department. Several of the professional schools had graduated classes earlier than 1877.

Alumni from every department and from every section of the country are planning to attend the all-university alumni reunion. Already letters have been received from graduates living in Mexico, Canada, California, Minnesota, Indiana, Ohio and New York stating that they are planning to be back in Boston for this reunion. The five and ten-year classes are planning special programs, and many of these groups have arranged for class costumes which will designate the year of graduation. In the evening the alumni of all departments will gather at the Boston Arena for the all-university alumni dinner. Classes will be seated together. After the dinner the report of the executive committee of the Alumni Association will be presented. This will be followed by the induction of the senior class into the new alumni association and by a few short speeches.

WOMEN'S CLUB ELECT PRESIDENT

New Hampshire Federation Hears Maine Governor

CONCORD, N. H., May 4 (Special).—Mrs. George F. Morris of Lancaster, wife of the judge of the United States District Court, was elected president of the New Hampshire Federation of Women's Clubs today at the annual convention in Manchester.

Gov. Ralph O. Brewster addressed the 501 members of the convention on "New England's Renaissance." When 8,000,000 New Englanders, he said, turn their searchlights upon the merits of New England wares, they form an offensive and defensive alliance to generate in New England factories and upon New England farms the things that New England finds agreeable to its taste. "We shall be preparing ourselves for serving the entire United States both by making ourselves more nearly self-sufficient and by increasing our unique resources to the production of the things the country wants," the Governor declared. "Any man that can satisfy the New England palate should be able to appeal all over the United States."

Home Gives Three-Fourths of Training, Says Educator
Miss Comstock, However, Says That Small Part Contributed by College Is Important—Describes Radcliffe Advantages

Miss Ada L. Comstock, president of Radcliffe College, spoke yesterday afternoon to about 75 mothers at the meeting of the Mothers and Daughters Club in Agassiz Theater. Miss Comstock spoke on the relation of a college education to development of the individual student, and especially upon the peculiar advantages which Radcliffe offers.

Seventy-five per cent, she said, of the contributions which make for the development of the individual come from the home, 20 per cent from the secondary schools, and only 5 per cent is of enormous importance. "Radcliffe is still, as it has always been, essentially a college of the liberal arts," she said. "As a whole, the vocational end of education is subordinated. The advantages accruing to Radcliffe from its connection with Harvard are inestimable. They include the privilege of working in the Harvard laboratories, of working in the Fogg Museum, and of working in the Widener Library, the greatest university library in the country," said Miss Comstock, and she went on to explain that this connection was not a legal one, but grew gradually out of the desire of a group of women to share the advantages of Harvard courses. Radcliffe degrees must be approved by Harvard, but the relation of the two institutions is based on the connections of individuals in the two colleges. Speaking further of the development of Radcliffe, Miss Comstock said that until 1923 the president of the college was not an executive, as she is now. The number of Radcliffe dormitories, uniformly suitable, comfortable, and modern, approaches more nearly than any other college in the country, what is needed and adequate for the demand, she said.

There have been, ever since its founding, excellent opportunities for graduate work, and that this fact is recognized is seen when we realize

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that Radcliffe has more graduate students than Vassar, Mount Holyoke, Wellesley, Bryn Mawr, Barnard, and Smith put together. Radcliffe is limiting its enrollment to 750 because of its situation and the capacity of its lecture halls as well as its permanent buildings. The requirements for entrance now include entrance interviews as well as examination. The freshman class will be limited henceforward to 200. Summing up the advantages of Radcliffe, Miss Comstock spoke of the connection with Harvard, and of the extracurricular activities, the Radcliffe Club, the Radcliffe Club, and the Idler Club, whose work she said was better and more serious than such undergraduate activities in many other colleges.

During the course of the meeting Mrs. Edward Cogswell of Newton Center, president of the Mothers and Daughters Club, presented \$100 to Miss Comstock in behalf of the club, for the nucleus of a fund for taking care of students in helpful ways, for flowers, and magazines, and small noninstitutional attentions. This fund is in memory of Helen E. Bunker of the class of 1902.

FLOOD SUPPLIES CARRIED FREE
Free transportation of Government and American Red Cross supplies destined for Mississippi River flood victims will be accorded by the Ocean Steamship Company of Savannah, Savannah Line, providing shipments are sent to the pier free of charge either at Boston or New York, it was announced today by T. N. Cook, local general freight agent of the line.

NEWS MAN AT BATES CLUB
The last meeting of the Boston Bates Club will be held at the University Club next Saturday night, and the interesting program and college editor of the Boston Evening Transcript will speak on "The Newspaper and the College."

Great New Hampshire Area Untouched by Hand of Man



Section of Mad River Notch, Showing the Greeley Ponds in the Right Center and Described as One of the Most Attractive Scenic Spots in the Entire White Mountain Region.

BOYS' CLUB 'ALUMNI' AID FUND CAMPAIGN

Division of 70 Women Also to Help in Program

Seventy "alumni" of the Boys' Club of Boston will be organized into a unit to take part in the forthcoming campaign for \$850,000 to expand the work of the club and to provide endowment. Ten captains for the division, all young men who have enjoyed the benefits of the club, have been selected by William M. Matheson, the division leader. The captains met last night at the clubhouse on Green Street, Charlestown, to receive instructions.

Under the leadership of Mr. Matheson, who has been associated with the club for 19 years, are the following: Timothy Malvey, Somerville; E. Warren Boothby, Winthrop; Francis Gill, Michael Scannell, Walter Gleason, James Howland, John Maden, Lars Olsen, and Francis Harkins, all of Charlestown. Each man is to organize a team of six men, all of whom are former members of the club.

A group of the women, who are to constitute the women's division of 70 under the direction of Mrs. John A. Tuckerman, visited the clubhouse yesterday, and inspected all departments of the organization. Two additional women have consented to serve on the women's advisory campaign committee. Mrs. Edwin S. Webster and Mrs. Robert Traynor, it was announced yesterday.

BUILDING IN NEW ENGLAND SHOWS \$5,000,000 INCREASE

Gain Made for First Quarter of Year Notwithstanding General Decline of Work in Eastern States

Contracts for building and engineering operations in New England from Jan. 1 to April 1, 1927, were valued at \$54,898,000, according to the F. W. Dodge Corporation of New York City. This is an increase of nearly \$5,000,000 over the first quarter of 1926, and an increase of more than \$1,000,000 over the first three months of 1925, which holds the record for the largest volume of construction in any single year.

In establishing a new mark for building operations over a three months' period, it is interesting to note that the valuation for March amounted to more than that of the first two months combined. The figure for the last month of the quarter also exceeded total valuations for the first three months of every year from 1913 to 1921 except for 1920.

Contracts for building operations in the 27 states east of the Rocky Mountains, which include about 91 per cent of total construction in the United States, amounted to \$1,398,776,000 for the period from Jan. 1 to April 1, 1927. This is a decline of approximately \$4,000,000 over figures for the corresponding three months of 1926, and a decline of \$1,000,000 over the first quarter of 1925. The 1927 figures, however, show a substantial gain over 1925, when valuations amounted to \$1,111,364,000.

Contemplated building activities in these states during the first quarter of 1927 were estimated at \$2,584,433,000, or nearly twice the amount of actual expenditures. Building contracts awarded in these 27 states in March were valued at \$430,748,500. In the classification of New England building activities for the month of March, residential building led the list as usual with a valuation of \$19,724,000 or more than three times as great as the classification for industrial buildings, which amounted to \$5,794,500, and was second in the list. New commercial buildings were valued at \$3,675,700; educational buildings at \$2,328,000; public works at \$2,245,900 and social and recreational buildings at \$1,636,000. The lowest classification was for public buildings with a total valuation of \$504,500.

Construction methods new to Boston are being used in the home of Donald Duffie, nearing completion in Colberg Avenue, Roslindale. Designed and built by Harold Duffie, architect and contractor of Roslindale, the home is of wood frame construction, but instead of being sheathed with wood, large sheets of gypsum rock in a water proof finish are being nailed to the studs. This material forms a fire-stop.

The natural insulative value of gypsum is said to make this sheathing a protection against excessive heat; and the interlocking grooves edges prevent the escape of inside heat. The waterproof building eliminates the need for plaster paper.

Foresters in Federal Service Begin Survey of Mad River Notch

Estimates to Be Made Upon Which National Commission Will Make an Offer to the Parker-Young Company for Great New Hampshire Tract of Primeval Spruce

CONCORD, N. H., May 4 (Special).—With a view of completing the survey as early as possible, foresters in the employ of the United States forestry service and officials representing State and private interests, are entering the Mad River Notch area this week to determine what parts may be cut by the Parker-Young Company, present owners of the tract, and make the necessary estimates upon which to base an offer for the property which the National Forest Reservation Commission expects to submit to the lumber concern on or before July 1.

Philip W. Ayres, forester of the Society for Protection of New Hampshire Forests, who has been very active in promoting the movement for federal purchase of this great area of primeval forest, and who accompanied the party, today said: "During a period of 10 years the Society for Protection of New Hampshire Forests has been interested in Waterville Valley, N. H., which is one of the most attractive scenic spots in the White Mountain region. Its interest is centered around the Greeley Ponds, five miles north of the hotel in this valley, which are two small and very beautiful sheets of water surrounded by steep and picturesque mountains, upon which the primeval spruce stands untouched by the hand of man."

Entire Tract Sold
"A year ago the entire tract of 22,500 acres in Waterville was sold by the International Paper Company to its present holders, Messrs. Parker-Young of Lincoln and Lisbon, N. H., for the sum of \$1,000,000. It was the purpose of this company to build a railway through the Greeley Ponds Notch, which is on the watershed of the Connecticut and Merrimack Rivers. A logging railway is almost sure to be followed by extensive forest fires, and Waterville has never had a forest fire."

"To prevent this, the society asked the good offices of the lumber company to defer construction of their railway until an effort could be made to secure the co-operation of the Federal Government toward adding this entire tract to the White Mountain National Forest."

"The Government already has acquired land on two sides of this tract. It is, therefore, in direct line for purchase by the Government and would ultimately come into public ownership. The real question is whether the Government can afford to acquire it before rather than after it is cut. There are upwards of 8000 acres of uncut spruce."

"A number of organizations including the New England Chamber of Commerce, the New Hampshire Forestry Association, the Appalachian Mountain Club, and the Massachusetts Forestry Association sent delegates to Washington on March 7, when a hearing was granted on this matter by the National Forest Reservation Commission, which is the purchasing board for the White Mountain and Southern National Forests."

Defers Construction
"The commission asked the Parker-Young Company to defer construction of its logging railway until a careful examination could be made by the Government forest engineers with a view to purchase by the Government. To this, Messrs. Parker-Young have assented, pointing out that they are under heavy interest charges on a large sum of money and indefinite delay is out of the question."

"The United States Forest Service has undertaken the examination of the Waterville tract with commendable energy and dispatch. This week crews go in to determine what parts of the tract shall be held uncut by the Government, especially the primeval timber around the Greeley Ponds, some of which the high slopes necessitate to protect the run-off, and carry along the roads and trails to preserve the scenic attractions of the place."

"If the plans to save this tract are finally worked out, Parker-Young will retain the major portion of the timber, to be taken out not by means of a logging railway, but to be driven by the Mad River, which rises in this valley, and by truck 12 miles below the valley to Campton, N. H., which is the nearest railway station."

**PYTHIANS OPEN
THEIR CONVENTION**
Annual Session Held at Springfield Auditorium

SPRINGFIELD, Mass., May 4 (Special).—The fifty-eighth annual convention of the Massachusetts Grand Lodge, Knights of Pythias, and the thirty-seventh annual convention of the Pythian Sisters of Massachusetts, opened here today. Both conventions will continue through tomorrow.

Announcement made last night of the establishment of the new Pythian Home in Haverhill, making this State the second to have an institution for elderly and dependent members, was greeted with enthusiasm. Ohio was said to be the first State to establish such a home.

There are four candidates for two posts as representatives to the national lodge from this State's Grand Lodge of Knights. Three of the candidates seek re-election and the contest largely arises from the cutting down of representation from three to two. Mayor Ford C. Parker called the convention of the Knights to order this afternoon in the Auditorium.

APPEAL MEMBER APPROVED
The Civil Service Commission has approved as a member of the Board of Appeal W. Franklin Burnham of Boston. The board of appeal is a division in the Building Department of Boston.

TELEPHONE NUMBER VALUED OVER \$1000

Lawyer Protests Change Saying It Will Reduce Earnings

That he will lose from \$1000 to \$1500 the first year in case his telephone number is changed, Samuel Brenner, an attorney of 27 School Street, estimated at a hearing yesterday before the Massachusetts Department of Public Utilities on his petition that the New England Telephone & Telegraph Company be restrained from making this change.

Mr. Brenner said he has had Congress 8049 for years, and that whenever he has moved this number has moved with him. At home he has the same number but in a different exchange. He said that he has a number of clients who are not well trained in looking up telephone numbers. The loss of revenue might mean that he might not be able to send his son to college next year, said Mr. Brenner.

George Grant, counsel for the telephone company, said that the company had offered Mr. Brenner a number that can be used by him at his house and at his office but with different exchanges. The Western Union, he said, has been assigned the serial number from 8020 to 8049 for use of the executive offices. He pointed out that a machine dial goes from the key number to the first vacant trunk line, but that if there is a break it cannot jump a number. Any such break, said he, would mean that another number would need to be dialed. This would slow up the service. Service, said he, and the convenience of the public is paramount.

The case was taken under advisement.

WOMEN'S CITY CLUB TO DISCUSS CHANGE

Plans for an improved clubhouse are to be discussed by the Women's City Club of Boston at its annual meeting to be held next Monday evening at Ford Hall. These include a new lounge, cafeteria, check-room, dressing room, and new ventilating system. After a year's study of a crowded situation that calls for improvement the executive committee has evolved a plan which it will submit for discussion by the membership.

Annual election of a secretary and treasurer, 11 members of the executive committee for a three-year term, one for a one-year term, and a nominating committee of 10 members, also will be held.

Adequate Air and Sunshine Sought for American Home

Demolition of Slums and Construction of Parks Urged by Speaker at Better Homes Exposition—Architects to Show Small House Designs

Architects' night will be observed this evening at the Better Homes Exposition, a feature of the Rogers Building, 431 Huntington Avenue. Housing developments with particular reference to the two-story houses designed for the Harvard Housing Trust in Cambridge are to be presented in an illustrated lecture by William Rogers Greeley.

Henry G. Briggs is to talk on financing the moderate priced house and William S. Parker is to talk on the small house bureau of the American Institute of Architects.

What is generally thought of as the typical American home is true of less than one-third of the population of the United States, declared Mrs. Edith Elmer Woods of New York City, speaker last evening at the exposition.

Finishing Space for Playgrounds
In other words, Mrs. Woods explained, only one-third, at most, of the people of the United States have a lot of adequate sunshine, running water, sewerage, and enough room to meet the generally accepted standards as proper for family life. The middle third are housed fairly satisfactorily and the lower third live under conditions that are positively harmful, she said.

There are three main ways in which unfavorable conditions should be attacked, Mrs. Woods stated. One is by clearance of the slum areas by condemnation of property, purchase and demolition of old tenements, cleaning alleys and byways and constructing playgrounds and park spaces where the condemned buildings formerly stood.

Another method is by government credits for housing purposes, giving aid to families of small income to acquire their own homes. The third is civic housing. Mrs. Woods called upon Boston to take up its problem at once. She thought the prominence given to housing by the current exposition should give impetus to a movement to revitalize Boston housing generally with much better homes than the average family now has.

Mrs. Woods is a lecturer on housing at Columbia University and has issued several volumes on housing conditions in the United States and western Europe.

Centralized Campaign Advocated
The exhibition rooms in the Rogers Building reveal that all over the city there are definite movements to aid families and individuals to better their homes and offer aid to the prospective builder. The thing that seems to be the next necessary step is a definitely organized central movement to attack the problem and work it out.

An exhibit proving of much interest shows what is being done to provide suitable and pleasant quarters for some of the thousands of students resident in Boston during the educational year.

Another shows paid workers going into homes and helping families to make the most of what they have by cleaning them, and obtaining accommodations quite within their means that will add to their comfort and well-being. Some of the workers give assistance in personal care of different members of the family where such help is needed.

Another exhibit sets forth efforts

APRIL BUSINESS SHOWS INCREASE

Public Employment Office Reports Better Demand for Workers

Business during April showed a better trend than in March, but was 18 per cent less than that of April a year ago, according to the records of the Boston Public Employment Office, 23 Pearl Street. The number of people called for by employers was 1251, an increase of 73, or 6 per cent over March, but a decrease of 278 from April, 1926. The number of positions reported filled was 1108, an increase of 41 over March, but a decrease of 139 from April of last year. During the month, 1273 service men visited the office in search of work. Of this number, 79 visited the office for the first time and were registered. Introduction cards to employers were given to 215, and 158 obtained employment.

The principal activity was in the men's skilled department. The metal trades called for ornamental iron workers, electric and acetylene welders, tinmiths, nickel silver workers and blacksmiths. From the building trades there was quite a demand for painters, also a fair demand for carpenters. There were a few calls for bricklayers and roofers. The steam trades were quiet with only an occasional order for engineers and firemen. The printing industry showed a little more activity than last month with calls for press feeders, pressmen and a few compositors. The general trades were quiet with one or two orders for factory workers.

In the men's unskilled department the demand for able bodied laborers fell off somewhat. There was a better demand for farm hands with very few experienced applicants for such work. The demand from the hotels and restaurants for culinary workers was fair with a good supply of workers to draw from.

The call for boys for errands and factory work was fairly good with a plentiful supply of applicants to meet the demand. The women's departments continued quiet as the season for women workers has been very backward. The demand for power stitchers was fair with an overabundant supply of applicants waiting for their work. The demand for chambermaids and waitresses for the mountains and seashore has started. Women day workers have been in fair demand with a good supply of applicants calling daily.

MOVES TOWARD SCHOOL SURVEY

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"OLD SLAVE CHURCH" TO BECOME GARAGE

LEE, Mass., May 4 (AP).—The Old Slave Church, a historical landmark of the town since Civil War days, passed into history yesterday when Martin Mahan took possession of the property which he will convert into a garage. The property, formerly owned by the A. M. E. Zion Church, was auctioned off under a foreclosure mortgage.

An interesting history is attached to the old building. It was the gathering place for the slaves and later for the emancipated in the days of Abraham Lincoln, and had for its pastors several men who were born in bondage, including the Rev. L. H. Cloyd, personal servant to General Floyd of the Southern forces.

ASHBY FARMER GIVES COW TO RELIEF FUND

FITCHBURG, Mass., May 4 (AP).—Eager to make a donation to the Mississippi relief fund, Cyrus Eaton, a farmer in Ashby, today requested Fitchburg Chapter of the Red Cross to accept the gift of a year-old cow. It was accepted and will be sold at public auction Saturday afternoon at the Eaton farm.

NEADS CHORAL SOCIETY

Fred L. Smith, president of the Newton Choral Society, was re-elected at the annual meeting in the Central Church of Newtonville last evening. Plans for a series of concerts in December and April were announced. Other officers elected were: Vice-presidents, Fred W. Woodcock, Mrs. A. L. Littlefield and Miss Ethel L. Spencer; treasurer, Mrs. Laura W. Hudson; secretary, Miss Theresa L. Cram. A board of eight directors also was chosen.

Need of Rigid Architecture Seen in Earthquake Study

Engineers Offer Solution to Problem in Session With Seismological Observers at M. I. T.

Expense, tradition and taste in architecture are the only factors which stand in the way of widespread adoption of earthquake-resistant construction which would virtually free the country from danger from the earth's vibrations. It was said at today's session of the eastern section of the Seismological Society of America, which opened its annual meeting at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

"The engineering question," Charles M. Spofford, head of the department of civil engineering at Technology, explained, "is not merely that of determining an earthquake-resistant type of construction, since this is a problem which in itself presents no serious difficulty. The ocean traveler who rides with safety over great seas in the gigantic Leviathan travels in a structure which would be as safe in time of earthquake as in time of storm."

Will Continue Tomorrow
The steel-framed buildings of Lower Broadway, founded on solid rock and riveted securely together, would be equally safe, if walls, floors, and partitions were to be made of steel plates as is the ship, or of reinforced concrete. As other engineering questions economy must play a leading part in the solution. It is necessary not only to build securely, but also with due regard to economy of construction, to the customs and tastes of the people, and to the natural resources of the country.

Leading engineers and geologists

POSTAL LEASE ACTION URGED

Chamber Official Asks Government to Insure Room for Pneumatic Tubes

Asking that the lease of the present postal workshop at the North Station be renewed, or that some other location of suitable size be found for occupation during the proposed rebuilding of the North Station, Howard W. Burge, chairman of the committee on post office and postal facilities of the Boston Chamber of Commerce, today wrote to John H. Bartlett, urging action to insure proper functioning of the Boston tube facilities.

Mr. Burge pointed out that the location of the pneumatic tube terminal at the North Station prompted the recent visit of Mr. Bartlett to Boston, and called attention to the belief that conditions had changed since the chamber's previous correspondence with the postal authorities at Washington on the subject last year.

Early construction of the new Federal Building will necessitate a distribution of some activities from the Central Post Office to the other offices and thereby make desirable the maintenance of the entire present office space in rented quarters, says Mr. Burge. Furthermore, the likelihood of the rebuilding of the Boston & Maine Station and the widening of the abutting streets within the near future, seem to preclude the use of space in the present railroad building, wrote Mr. Burge.

"The latter more directly affects the location of the pneumatic tube terminal," he said. "The unit certainly should be an integral part of the postal workshop. An extensive amount of floor space is therefore necessary. The location of the postal station, however, is directly in the line of the widening of Nashua and Causeway Streets. It would seem impossible to secure adequate space until after this widening has been effected and the railroad station itself has been rebuilt. It is not necessary to make prompt plans for housing the tube terminal as well as the workshop during the period."

"In view of these changed conditions, would it not be well either to make a definite renewal of the lease of the present workshop or to secure some other location of suitable size for occupation during this rebuilding period?" The tube unit must be temporarily removed if the building is to be torn down. By restoring it to the workshop in its present or some similar location, the tubes could function in their proper capacity as a part of the handling of the mail. This seems to me to be a constructive solution of the present emergency."

BOSTON UNIVERSITY CLUBS ORGANIZING

Meeting at Washington Hears of Institution's Gains

Special from Monitor Bureau
WASHINGTON, May 4.—A Boston University Club was organized here following a banquet at Stoneleigh Court attended by graduates and former students in the various colleges, schools, and departments of the university. This is the thirteenth club formed under the present policy of active and widespread organization to make the university known to the outside world and the graduates to each other.

Robert F. Mason, alumni secretary of Boston, who presented outlined the rapid development and growth of the university, stating that there are at present more than 12,000 students, and that its graduates were to be found at the heads of colleges throughout the country. He stressed the fact that B. U. has been a leader in progressive methods of education. Mr. Mason will participate in the establishment of Boston University Clubs in Baltimore and Philadelphia during the week. Officers of the Washington club were elected as follows: The Rev. Moses R. Lovell, president; Miss Mary J. Edmunds, vice-president; Frank J. Metcalf, secretary; and Miss Kate K. Briggs, treasurer. An executive committee will be added.

CALL TO ACTION IS SOUNDED TO W. C. T. U. OF NEW ENGLAND

Head of "I Want-to-Know Committee" Likens Duty to That of Patriots in 1776—Three-Day Session Under Way, With National President on Program

A call to action, as determined and strong as that of the patriots of '76, was made this morning by Miss Laura A. Jones, vice-president at large of the Massachusetts Woman's Christian Temperance Union to the members attending the three-day conference of the New England W. C. T. U. in the Old South Meeting House.

Miss Jones is head of the I-want-to-know committee, the object of which is to find out such things as why it is the police will make a raid on a particular place 15 times and another 25 times and yet those places continue to carry on as usual.

"When we women do our job as the men of '76 did theirs such things will not be possible," Miss Jones said. Taking her cue from the scenes that had been enacted in the historic old meeting house, in whose pulpit she stood, Miss Jones went on to say: "If those men had not done their duty in protecting young Massachusetts, we would never have had this great country whose blessings we enjoy today."

Service and Sacrifice
"It is now our turn to serve and sacrifice, to maintain and protect this country. They did not see their work as a cornerstone of a great nation, as we see it today, but they won a nation as a reward for their labors. We women of the W. C. T. U. have no right to fail. Massachusetts W. C. T. U. is going to put Boston

conducted by Mrs. J. C. Barber, recording secretary of the Rhode Island W. C. T. U. and addressed by Miss Sarah M. Elrich, corresponding secretary of the Vermont W. C. T. U. and Mrs. Lettie Kingsley Barden, president of the Woman's Mission Service League. Miss Nellie Perry, director of Americanization in the Quincy schools and Mrs. Charles F. Barnes, superintendent of child welfare for the Maine W. C. T. U. also spoke.

This afternoon the members of the conference visited Concord and Lexington conducted patriotic exercises at the statue of the Minute Man, and visited the home of Louisa M. Alcott, first secretary of the Concord W. C. T. U. This evening there will be addresses at the Old South Meeting House.

Addressing the conference last evening Mrs. Anna C. Tillaght, New England commissioner of immigration, reviewed her work and asserted that at times it seemed as if the whole world had one desire in common and that was to reach the United States and to become citizens here. She said that it was a deplorable situation when 500,000 citizens of this state remained away from the polls at the last election while aliens coming here were imbued with the hope of some day taking their places at the polls.

Bargains Go Under Hammer at Auction
Appraisers' Stores Sell Unclaimed Goods and Unusual Values Are Picked Up

Bargains aplenty were found at the United States Appraisers' Stores at Northern Avenue today when Frank E. McKenzie auctioned off 68 lots of many and varied merchandise to a group numbering 75 or more men and women. The sale was of goods remaining in the public stores unclaimed and was ordered by Willard W. Lufkin, collector of the port.

A lot of 200 pounds quebracho extract valued at \$7.50 sold for 50 cents to Joseph Ryan, but another lot of 1400 pounds of the same commodity cost the same bidder \$15 because of more active bidding.

A. S. McLean purchased a pair of women riding boots for \$10.50 that were valued at \$22.50. Mrs. F. J. Macdonald paid \$1.50 for a lithograph of the Venus de Milo, which was appraised at \$3.50. Steele & Abbott, ship outfitters of Gloucester, bought quantities of white enamel paint, one lot of 20 gallons, various sized tins for \$45 and another lot of 150 gallons for \$414. The latter lot was appraised at \$540.

G. F. Gavin bought bed and spring for \$1. Two-wheel gauges valued at \$5 each brought 75 cents each. A cotton canvas bag valued at 70 cents sold for 10 cents. A tailor's sewing machine, appraised at \$5.75, sold for \$2.50. John Friend paid 25 cents for 482 pounds of whiting.

Woodchuck Saved by "Gas" Seller
Filling Station Employee Discovers Little Animal With Head Wedged in Tin Can

WESTFIELD, Mass., May 4 (Special).—Rescue of a woodchuck may not bring a medal to an employee of a gasoline station in Woronoco, known as Gehman's, but it was an unusual instance of "kindness to animals."

In some way the woodchuck wedged its head into an empty tin can, presumably in search of food, and became lodged so securely in the tin food that it fell exhausted in its efforts to obtain relief.

In this predicament the little animal was found by the gas station employee. Realizing the necessity for prompt measures he speedily drilled a number of small holes in the can for the admission of air and with slight exertion the animal was freed.

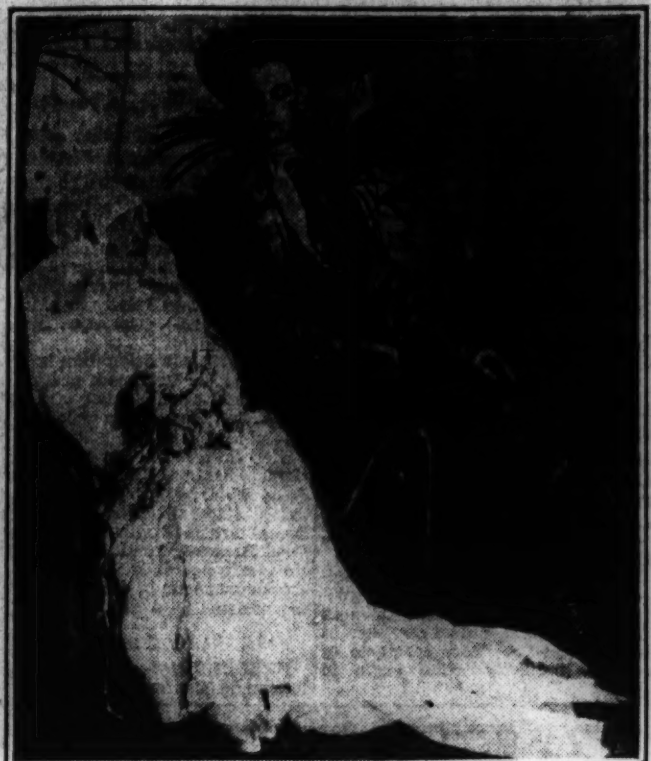
The woodchuck remained at the station for some time, apparently to show its gratitude, before it wandered into the near-by woods.

Part-time School Hours Raised to 20
SACRAMENTO, Calif. (Staff Correspondence).—The California part-time law has been amended to increase from 4 to 20 hours required of children under 18 who have not yet completed high school. Educators believe the change will give students more fitness for work and enable them to get a better grounding in the fundamentals of business or trade.

The part-time school law of California has provided for practically solving the problem of boys and girls between 16 and 18 who leave school either because they are not interested in the type of instruction or because they have already gone beyond the educational standards of their parents, while they are still unprepared to meet the problems of self-support and efficient citizenship.

To offset any hardship which the revision might cause, provision is also made that a child working does not have to put in the full 30 hours. Night classes are to be formed for persons between 18 and 21 who cannot read or write. The amendment also raises the number required for the forming of classes from 10 to 20. A board of directors of nine citizens will have direct supervision of the work of the new organization and expenditure of the expansion fund. Work of the separate departments of the organization will be expanded and more liberally supported. The industrial survey will be made by engineers who will take account of the various types of available raw materials; of transportation, labor supply and marketing conditions.

"Taming of the Shrew" the 1927 Way



FRANCES SMALL AND K. A. PERRY

Harvard Players Tame Shrew Successfully in 1927 Mode

Tuxedos, Plus Fours, and Saxophones Supplant Accompaniments of Shakespeare's Time—Dull Moments in Comedy as Scarce as Original Lines

William Shakespeare's "The Taming of the Shrew," with a twentieth century setting of tuxedos, plus fours, whining saxophones, evening gowns, chorus girls and boys, modern dance numbers and with the plot jumping from Newark to South Boston, was presented last night in Brattle Hall, Cambridge, by the Harvard Dramatic Society.

Those persons who have been loud in their protests against the "jazzing of the classic" had a splendid opportunity to complain last night but they didn't. They were too busy laughing. Most of the audience had seen "The Taming of the Shrew" before but under slightly different conditions. They had never seen a college dramatic club do it as a "modern." It was evident, however, that they enjoyed it. Incidentally it took three acts, 13 scenes and 14 Ford to tame the shrew, but it was done—and successfully.

The entire cast excelled in dialogue, comedy, dancing and singing. The dialogue of course it was but lessened was extremely humorous and the business that went with it more so. At no time was it overdone and dull moments were as scarce as Shakespeare's original lines.

Used Cowboy Tactics
The leads were shared and admirably taken by K. A. Perry '28, president of the society, as Petruchio, "The Gentleman from Chicago" who tamed the shrew with his cowboy tactics, aided by Grimo, his valet, acted by Barry Bingham '28; Francis Small, Radcliffe '28, as Katherine, who had to be tamed; H. W. Donegan as Lucentio, Adele Wood as Tranio, and Juliette Browne, Radcliffe '30, as Bianca.

Mr. Perry in particular did some splendid stage work, the burden of "taming" falling upon him. As this was a 1927 mode of Shakespeare, of course it was permissible to break right into the lines, for no reason at all, with a modern dance number, and this the boys and girls did frequently. The chorus work was polished, the stage settings attractive and the dancing of Ogden Goelet, Sara Sherburne, Barry Bingham, Mr. Donegan, and Miss Browne won much applause.

Cast of Characters
The others in the cast—and a large one it was—supported the principals well at all times. They were: William S. Wilson '22, a bellboy; Adele Wood '23, Tranio; Charles Leatherwood '29, Baptista; J. L. Beauchamp '28, Grimo, suitor to Bianca; Albert Gerstein '30, Hortensio, another suitor to Bianca; Charles Hicks '00, Biondello, servant to Lucentio; Corlis Wilber '30, maid to Baptista; Margaret Effinger '10, Curio, Petruchio's housekeeper; Sara Sherburne, colored maid; G. W. Harrington '30, a pedant; P. C. Sherbert '30, a haberdasher; Abbot Peterson '30, a tailor; D. W. Moreland '28, Vincentio, an elderly gentleman; L. H. Enal '28, a policeman; Mary Caperton '28, the widow; Corlis Wilber '20, cigarette girl.

The show will be repeated tonight and Friday night in Brattle Hall and there will be a Saturday matinee and evening performance in the Fine Arts Theater, Boston. The thirty-ninth production of the society was under the direction of Edward Massey '15. The settings were designed by Frederick Rahr '29 and the dances staged by William S. Wilson '22.

KANSAS CITY AROUSES ITSELF TO ADD TO INDUSTRIAL GROWTH

Undertakes Five-Year Program to Bring to Missouri Business Adapted to Its Requirements and to Encourage Established Firms

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (Special Correspondence).—A five-year industrial expansion program under way here is aimed at a speeding up of the city's industrial growth and fuller utilization of all the natural resources and advantages both of this center and its contiguous territory. For execution of the program there is contemplated the expenditure of \$450,000 a year, or a total of \$2,250,000. One-half already has been pledged by individual citizens, firms, corporations and industries. Annual subscriptions range from only a few dollars to more than \$25,000.

The program calls, first of all, for a survey of the city with respect to industries now here and to the advantages which would justify the bringing of others. The survey will extend outside the city and include the agricultural, mineral and other resources of adjacent territory which could be depended upon to furnish raw material for additional manufacturing plants.

The aim is to encourage the location in Kansas City of all industries that might be expected to prosper here. No effort will be made to obtain others. The plan is to stabilize as well as expand industrial growth.

Reorganize Trade Chamber
Complete reorganization of the Kansas City Chamber of Commerce along lines that correspond closely with those of a business corporation will be an initial step. At the head of this organization will be a paid executive who will have no concern with details of organization work. His business will be to make use of information obtained in the survey in presenting, personally, to industrial leaders the advantages the city offers for the location of new plants.

A board of directors of nine citizens will have direct supervision of the work of the new organization and expenditure of the expansion fund. Work of the separate departments of the organization will be expanded and more liberally supported. The industrial survey will be made by engineers who will take account of the various types of available raw materials; of transportation, labor supply and marketing conditions.

Local and national advertising will make facts of the survey as widely known as possible.

To Help Home Industries
Promotion of industries already here, assistance to them in securing wider markets for their products; co-operation with agricultural colleges and farm organizations in promotion of better and more diversified crops; promotion of inland waterways and work for improved transportation conditions, along with aid to local civic projects, study of municipal questions and the furthering of municipal progress generally, are included in the expansion program.

Nearly 100 citizens have been active in promoting the industrial expansion campaign; and contributions have been made by these and many others. Lou E. Holland, president of the Chamber of Commerce, has been active both in formulating plans of the campaign and in execution of it. Among factors which lend encouragement to the campaign are the assurance of a quickened growth of Kansas City are these:

Prospect of a start of navigation on the Missouri River within two years; abundant supply of natural gas for industrial purposes; opening of an airport, to encourage new airlines and the building up of an airplane industry; new terminal post-office building to cost \$3,500,000; building of new highways into Kansas City from both Kansas and Missouri.

Prehistoric Art Described At Bowdoin College Institute

Mrs. George G. MacCurdy Traces Development Through the Ages and Points Out Striking Features

By a Staff Correspondent

BRUNSWICK, Me., May 4 (Special).—Mrs. George G. MacCurdy of New Haven, Conn., secretary of the American School of Prehistoric Research, said here last evening at the institute of art that no history of art nowadays could be considered adequate unless it was based upon the prehistory of art.

Thus, taking for her subject, "The Art of Prehistoric Man," Mrs. MacCurdy discussed the copying by man of animal forms, both in the round and in relief as far back as 30,000 years ago, and set up a singularly concise and illuminating background of authenticated fact as contribution to the survey of the field of art sought in the institute.

Mrs. MacCurdy is the wife and field coworker of the director of the Peabody Museum at Yale University. Although the periods represented in her discussion fell considerably back of the periods normally considered in the study of art, Mrs. MacCurdy was happy in immediately securing the attention of her audience by reason of the quick, highly romantic picture she afforded of ages when men were engraving or rudely painting lines on animal forms, both in the round and in relief as far back as 30,000 years ago, and set up a singularly concise and illuminating background of authenticated fact as contribution to the survey of the field of art sought in the institute.

In Caves and Shelters
Primarily, Mrs. MacCurdy said, starting her talk with flashes of wit, the evidence discovered to support theories with respect to this art had been discovered in caves and rock shelters excavated by prehistoric archaeologists, curiously enough in western Europe. It was, she said, only within the last three-quarters of a century that recognition had been established of the existence of man during and prior to the last ice age. Polished stone tools of a much later race had been known, acknowledged to be the work of man, but when the maker of crude, unpolished tools was found to have produced art works as well, Mrs. MacCurdy admitted with entire professional good will that the scientific world had been caught unprepared for the facts.

Mrs. MacCurdy described some of the localities in which the prehistoric caves have been found, citing the old river terraces along the River Somme in France and those in the vicinity of Les Eyzies, where many of the most choice specimens of wall painting, stone tools and other animal art have been discovered. Names of races, few in the audience had even heard, took on an aspect of lively drama with her telling of their place in the progression of man. It was obvious that she had found an eminently suitable phrase for the river terrace with their successive levels still bearing evidence of races that had occupied them when she characterized them as "just a slice of time down through history."

She made a crude fellow with hardly a "erec gat" come alive and move and act as she traced racial evolution with only an illustration upon the screen made by a small lettered diagram of names. It was impossible to feel a little shivering thrill as she said that it was as late as 1921 that the French Government, having given orders for the partial restoration in Les Eyzies of an ancient chateau, workmen had found beneath two enormous stones in its courtyard, an immense deposit of identifiable, indisputable prehistoric memorabilia.

Made Mistakes
To be sure, Mrs. MacCurdy said, the artists occasionally made mistakes, as for instance, the one who wrongly pictured the nose of a deer and, finding it "more difficult to correct a mistake in stone than we should on paper," had simply done another nose beside the first, expecting the spectator obligingly to fall to see the first one and look only at the second or correct one.

The slides shown were not only highly informative, but diverting as well, ranging from beautiful photographs showing the exquisite colors of the wall paintings, to stone drawings of mammoths looking quite as if they were attired in shaggy camel's hair shawls, bison with slender curves horns and heads, whose very implied motion testified to their full understanding of their ultimate destiny.

"The earliest art discoveries," the speaker said, "were of animal figures associated with tools and bones of animals on which man fed. These were naturally game animals, since it was entirely a hunter population. Domestication of animals and plants was not to occur until thousands of years later. Game animals furnished clothing as well as food, for we have the testimony of bones and ivory needles; they furnished articles of adornment as well, as witness the necklaces of perforated teeth and bracelets of ivory, mute evidence of an ageless love of dress."

"Art," Mrs. MacCurdy continued, "may have had its origin thousands of years ago when the first primitive man saw a stone the likeness of some bird or animal and sought to improve on the original by taking out a chip where an eye should be or by incising a beak, but not until the so-called Cro-magnon race, Homo sapiens, you see, quite like ourselves, supplanted the old Neanderthal race, did what may be regarded as true art appear."

The art of Cro-magnon man has been divided into four phases. The first consisted of mere outline, incised or in color, with no attempt at suggesting modeling, and usually even lacking eyes, horns and more than one fore and one hind leg. During the second phase the artist experimented with suggesting motion as well as all the essential features of his model. In the third phase engraving reached a high standard, having considerable quality and a nice sense of proportion. During the fourth phase the splendid painting in polychrome frescoes was produced, painting of a degree of beauty and delicate excellence, surely as successful as any modern color work."

Prehistoric Tools
Mrs. MacCurdy went on to discuss tools used by these prehistoric artists. She said they were of flint, chipped to sharp point. For color there was only manganese, red and yellow ochre, crude and limited materials yet susceptible of such skilled blending by the artists that effects of great beauty could be had. Light, which was necessary because of the dark prevailing in the recessed caves where many of his art works are tucked away, indelibly decorating the irregular and jutting walls of his "living rooms" was afforded the artist by the burning of animal fats gathered into stone lamps. By means of a running flint, often polished, frequently decorated with designs of the most affecting beauty and color.

"Few attempts were made by these artists to indicate a scene and but rarely of the type of a group," Mrs. MacCurdy continued, "it is a curious characteristic of these records of so significant a chapter in art that many of the animals pictured were shown as wounded. Many more representations were made of the female than of the male. Masked figures were sometimes shown in connection with the animal paintings, probably as an indication of a custom wherein sorcerers aided in stalking game."

"With the change in climate toward the end of the geologic past the art of the Cro-magnons disappeared completely. No longer was it necessary to invoke the aid of their gods of the chase because domestication of plants as well as of animals had begun, and a more tangible power, the sun, had taken the place of the supplementing and threatening to supplant the old mother cult."

"Therefore sun symbols began to appear as the dominant art motif. They were crude at first but gained rapidly in variety of design and beauty of execution. Throughout the age of polished stone implements and the age of metals certain animal forms became associated with the sun and were used in connection with it or as symbols for it. These were applied to articles of household use such as pots and cooking utensils, and to articles of individual adornment."

PRINCIPALS HEAR CURRICULUM TALK
Professor Briggs Speaker at Framingham Meeting

FRAMINGHAM, Mass., May 4 (Special).—Neglected phases of the curriculum were brought forward today by Prof. Thomas H. Briggs of Teachers College of Columbia University at the annual conference of principals of junior and senior high schools of the State at the Framingham Normal School. At the same time he addressed the Massachusetts Branch of the National Association of Teachers, also meeting at the normal school, the two organizations meeting jointly to listen to him.

Prof. Briggs said he thought that a mistake was often made in emphasizing certain features of the curriculum at the expense of others. He believed that no item in it should be neglected, for each occupied an important place in the development of the youth. This afternoon he spoke on the "Golden Rules of Education." This evening he is to deliver his third and final address to the conference, on "Interests as Education."

Following Professor Briggs' address this afternoon there were sectional meetings at which reports on different branches of school work were made by the principals. The conference will continue tomorrow morning, closing at noon.

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SAFETY ASSURED IN NEW ORLEANS

Merchants and Residents
Concerned Over False Re-
ports About City

NEW ORLEANS (Special Cor-
respondence)—New Orleans is and has
been doing business as usual.

Residents and merchants are pur-
suing their vocations and avocations
without interruption.

The levees surrounding the city
are intact and not one drop of flood-
water from the river has touched the
city and no such intrusion is ex-
pected.

Such statements as these are found
in an editorial printed in the New
Orleans Times-Picayune at the height
of flood conditions. The editorial
would indicate that residents are
amazed, quite often amused, and
somewhat irritated over so-called
"scare stories" certain newspapers
are running concerning the "dire
possibilities" that may happen to the
largest city in the South.

New Orleans is carrying on con-
fidently assured of its own safety,
reports show. Some concern is felt
because of the large numbers of
letters and telegrams which are
pouring into the city from friends of
the residents who have read the
"hysterical stories" and who express
considerable concern.

Most of the overplayed and mis-
leading reports concerning the
"dangers" that confronted New Or-
leans started, it is said, because of
the delay in dynamiting a certain
section of the levee below New
Orleans last week. Government sanc-
tion, it is explained, was necessary
before the levee could be broken.

This was given but other official
matters were necessary before it
could be done.

This delay, it is claimed, caused
certain newspaper writers to "play
up" the possible dangers and the un-
fortunate news caused wide cir-
culation before the matter was finally
cleared, it is shown.

New Orleans feels that it has been
placed in a false light before the
Nation, the editorial explains, because
of the misleading news. In con-
cluding the editorial says:
"Let it be added here that there
was no purpose on the part of the
New Orleans press and public either
to suppress, minimize or withhold
news of any other local flood develop-
ment. New Orleans has nothing to fear, and
much to gain, by the widest dissemina-
tion of the truth regarding its
position and the uninterrupted con-
duct of its normal activities during
the high water stage."

FEDERAL ACTION IS DEMANDED

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more water—and the water that they
held also was turned in with all the
rest to the channels leading to the
Mississippi, the great mid-continent
drainage ditch.

With bare hills and fields winter
knows in the northern states melted
quickly and added streams to the
ever-rising current of the "Father of
Waters" and as the combined flow
came southward in the spring higher
flood levels than ever were recorded
as the years went by.

Whether or not it is possible to
build levees, high enough, wide
enough and strong enough to hold
the entire flow of the Mississippi
River in its lower reaches in a flood
of such magnitude as is possible for
the great river to bring to the South,
is a question.

Various communities, especially in
Louisiana, have had engineers at
work on the problem for many years.
These engineers and their commu-
nities behind them, have asked for
the installation of other and additional
safety measures, especially in the
form of additional outlets or spill-
ways, the setting aside of areas for
use as reservoirs and other means.

See Need for Safety Valves
They point to crevasses, or levee
breaks, as Nature's demand for such
outlets and to the practical utility of
such existing storage basins as the
lower Atchafalaya basin in Louisi-
ana as an instance of the value of
such means.

It may be that the cutting of the
levee at Poydras to relieve the pres-
sure on New Orleans will give the
spillway plan an opportunity to

prove itself and it may become the
foundation of a real system of such
safety valves.

The communities within the flood
area of Louisiana which have paid
millions upon millions of dollars in
levee taxes for the purpose of buy-
ing safety from the flood waters
originating outside of Louisiana, now
declare they have finished with resolu-
tions.

The patient Arcadian farmers, the
sugar and the rice and cotton plant-
ers, the manufacturers and mer-
chants, commercial and professional
leaders, bankers; all Louisianians,
have decided that this problem is no
longer Louisiana's problem. Nor is
it Mississippi's nor Arkansas's prob-
lem. It is the Nation's problem, they
say, and they have gone so far as to
declare for the elimination of a local
political body—they are willing to
transfer power and authority from
local hands to federal control—in
the hope that the Mississippi flood
problem may be adequately and
finally solved.

Ten Louisiana Parishes

Affected by Flood Waters

NEW ORLEANS, La., May 4 (AP)—
Every parish in northeastern Louisi-
ana, for the first two tiers along the
river, extending 10 parishes down
stream to the mouth of Red River,
has now felt the grasp of the waters
already have covered 7,000,000
acres of land and rendered more
than 200,000 homeless as they moved
toward the Gulf of Mexico.

The 10 Louisiana parishes already
covered, either entirely or partially,
are Morehouse, East and West Car-
roll, Ouachita, Richland, Madison,
Franklin, Tensas, Catahoula, Con-
cordia and Avoyelles. Water streaming
from four breaches in Mississippi
River levees is moving down to join
backwaters from the Red River while
the waters from the Ouachita and
the volume released by breaks in Ar-
kansas cover other portions of the
territory.

Tallulah has been virtually aban-
doned, its population fleeing to Vicks-
burg and Delhi before a lake re-
leased by a break in the Mississippi
embankment near Milliken's Bend.

Train Service Stopped

Train service on the Vicksburg,
Shreveport and Pacific Railroad has
been annulled and all equipment not
pressed into relief service removed
from the territory. Many of the peo-
ple in the path of the Milliken's
breach have been preparing for the
invasion two weeks. All are
thought to be out of the area.

While several thousand of the in-
habitants of St. Bernard and Plaque-
mine parishes fled before the ap-
proach of the flood created by the
artificial crevasse, the evacuation
blasted out to insure the safety of
New Orleans, a good proportion have
refused to move, preferring to take
their chances in land they know to
adventuring in a city comparatively
strange to them.

Most of those who have remained
are trappers and their families. They
are familiar with floods. Their
homes, for the most part, are built
on raised platforms on the banks of
the river, small bayous, in the
marshy land, which rarely pass a
spring, without overflowing.

Making Homes in Boats

Every family in the lower section
has from one to a dozen pirogues,
small, canoe-like boats. These are
used to make the round of traps, and
will be used in the present emer-
gency to bring in supplies. In addi-
tion to the pirogues, most of the
families possess small shanty boats
which the trappers live in during the
season, and use to move about along
their trapping lines. Now these have
become the homes of many of the
residents.

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CHICAGO SEEKS
BONDING POWERRise in Realty Valuations to
Provide Financing for
City's Projects

Special from Monitor Bureau
CHICAGO, May 4.—Reports from Chicago's City Hall of a big municipal deficit and of a blockade in marketing a large amount of public improvement bonds reflect, investigation indicates, a pessimism unwarranted by the situation. However, if neither item of information is of as much concern as its face value purports, the motive behind some of the future remains of great interest.

It marks an attempt to force higher tax valuations for the city and incidentally with it the correction of what the City Council charges as "glaring and flagrant" cases of under-assessment of real estate.

Calculating Likely Increases
This is the fourth year when all Chicago's realty is revalued for purposes of taxation. Last year the city expected an increase of \$170,000,000 in these taxable values but got only \$16,000,000. From this year's general revaluation it anticipates an advance of \$470,000,000. But its recent disappointment has not been encouraging, it is stated at the headquarters of the Council's finance committee, and hence the committee is trying to force the tax assessing and reviewing officials to put up their figures.

The most important factor in the

deficit and the bond situation is the amount of increased tax valuations Chicago will show after the assessors and the reviewers have gotten through with their work at the close of this year. In the early reports it does not appear that this factor was taken into account.

Chicago's last four years have been its greatest in building. Building permits in 1922 totaled \$229,000,000; in 1924 amounted to \$296,000,000, the following year to \$361,000,000 and last year went up to \$366,000,000. All of this was new construction and does not reflect what is generally agreed to have been a great increase in local land values.

Even with a substantial increase in taxes, the city faces some deficit, it is reported by the Finance Committee staff, and this means a curtailment of activities. The amount of the deficit is said to be quite problematical.

Bond Situation Studied
The bond situation is not regarded by these officials as so serious. The city's bonding power is limited to 5 per cent on half the assessed valuation of property in the city and bonds already sold come within \$2,000,000 of the legal amount. Bond issues authorized but not salable total \$27,000,000 more.

Here again the increased valuation of quadrannual assessment year enters, for it will enlarge substantially the city's bonding powers. If \$470,000,000 is added, it will enlarge the bonding power by \$11,650,000, and if the assessments are still larger the bonding power will be accordingly broadened.

At the offices of the Chicago Plan Commission it is said that work on some of the improvements now under way will be held back but that some of the improvements do not make an immediate call for funds.

NEW ENGLAND ON THE UP GRADE,
COUNCIL HEAD TELLS COUNTRYHow Manufacturers Looked Facts in Face, Refused to
Listen to Pessimism and Won Out Explained
by Mr. Lawrence

WASHINGTON.—Paraphrased businessmen in all sections of the country are watching New England solving the problems of "industrial maturity" because they know that New England's problems will some day be the problems of their own sections. John S. Lawrence, president of the United States Chamber of Commerce at its annual meeting here today.

"As the birthplace and first home of the American factory system," said Mr. Lawrence, "New England is the first section to experience, in a notable degree, the conditions that come with carrying the assets and liabilities of long established business into a modern era. It will not, however, be the only section that will have to face these conditions."

"Our nation needs a prosperous New England as it does a prosperous North, South, East and West. It needs the solution of the problem of industrial maturity. It is our intention to provide both."

The New England Council
Mr. Lawrence said the New England Council, an organization of 72 men, 12 from each of the six New England states, had been established to meet those problems of "industrial maturity." This term he used to define "a condition where an extensive industrial development, formed and built up under the economics of a previous period, is found to meet competition based on modern invention, new methods of production and distribution, and a greatly altered economic environment."

The first task of the New England Council, Mr. Lawrence said, had been to diagnose the conditions of New England.

"Two years ago we were concerned over the effect upon our own people of the pessimism about New England that reached us both from within and without. Today we are not only encouraged, but confident. What has happened?

"Our losses have been more than offset by our gains. Some parts of New England are gaining in population much more rapidly than the average for the whole United States, and New England today is selling more goods, and enjoying more wealth than ever before. Today those plants that are weak units in our industrial structure are generally remarked by our executives. They are being mentally charged off, or selected for revitalizing if they have in their structure sufficient economic margin to justify this procedure. Our prosperous units are emerging like ships from the dry docks, repaired, refitted, with new rigging and sails."

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NATION URGED TO SAVE WATER
BY DRAINAGE TO RESERVOIRSHead of Regulation Commission Tells United States
Chamber of Commerce Real Water Power Policy
Is Vital Necessity

Special from Monitor Bureau
WASHINGTON, May 4.—A national water power policy to solve the country's flood problem and to protect its natural resources, was advocated by Walker Parker, executive vice-president of National Flood Prevention and River Regulation Commission, New Orleans, La., at the annual convention of the United States Chamber of Commerce, in session here.

Establishment of a federal water conservation commission to study the utilization of rainfall and to prepare a national policy, so that the country's surplus drainage might not result in floods, but might be controlled for use in irrigation, water power and inland waterways was urged.

"Neglect of our water resources," said Mr. Parker, "results from the fact that there is no now, and never has been in the United States, a national water policy. Because there is no national water policy, such work as has been done by government has lacked comprehensive planning. There has been no federal government, states, localities and business enterprise has been, and is now, all but impossible."

Refers to Waterways Bill
Mr. Parker referred to the bill introduced in the last Congress proposing to establish a waterways and water resources commission consisting of a chairman, the Secretaries of War, Interior and Agriculture, representatives of the Senate and House and additional experts. This commission would deal with the problems of flood control and the conservation of waterpower.

"Young countries," Mr. Parker said, "are wasteful of their natural resources and the United States has been prodigal in this regard. A congressional committee has reported the annual direct losses in the United States resulting from floods at more than \$1,000,000,000, and this does not include the indirect damage done, such as the annual loss in soil erosion. The Mississippi River alone every year carries down to the sea as waste about a cubic mile of silt, the soil washings equivalent to three inches from approximately 13,000,000 acres of land."

Mr. Parker linked up conditions along the Mississippi today with the lack of planning in protection of other natural resources.

Critical of Congress
"We spend \$100,000,000 on Muscle Shoals power plant. And then Congress spends half a generation in argument over why we built it, who is to get the benefit, who is to manage it and similar questions which should have been settled before one dollar was spent. The control of the Colorado, a matter of vital economic importance, serves a nontechnical Congress as a common political football. Political levee boards, with taxing powers, along the Mississippi, determine the fortunes of many Senators, Congressmen and other officeholders."

"Technical bureaus of the Government must confine their studies, reports and recommendations to projects specifically called for by Congress, and Congress has never set up a policy for its own guidance and under which comprehensive planning for the internal welfare of the country may be carried on."

Mr. Parker attacked the idea of levees as the sole method of controlling Mississippi floods, declaring they had never "won a fight" and proposed a system of spillway-control. Spillways should be built on the lower reaches of the river, he said, to replace the broken levees.

The overflowed bottom lands should be turned into temporary impounding basins to be kept empty until the river needed relief when the crest of the flood would be poured into them.

"In that way," he said, "we can keep the main river off the remainder of the land."

Outlines Method of Procedure
Starting back in the mountains and gorges, Mr. Parker urged that the narrow places be dammed to raise the water level and spill the melting snow and ice over the dry prairies where needed. Further down he would take some of the low places and use them as temporary impounding basins. Trees would be planted on the waste areas. He added:

"What we shall have done these things or some of them, we can begin to know how high the maximum flood will climb. Then, and not till then can we begin to know what size levees we will need to safeguard us against the remainder of the runoff."

Mr. Parker's address was given in the Natural Resources Group, which met simultaneously with other sessions. At an earlier meeting, the business problems of the United States as viewed by representatives of the east, the south, the mid-west and the west, were set forth by four speakers.

The annual trade between Latin America and the United States equals \$1,000,000,000 in imports and another billion in exports. E. B. Flisinger, Lawrence & Co., told the session, discussing foreign commerce. The United States is looked upon by the rest of the world as enjoying extraordinary prosperity, but this condition is spreading to Latin American countries as well. Imports and exports of Latin America will equal \$12,000,000,000 in 1930 more years at present rates of expansion, he said.

South America Prosperous
"There is a rapidly growing economic well-being in almost all the countries that lie to the south and southeast of the United States. With but few exceptions the increase in national wealth of all these countries is proceeding at a phenomenal rate. This obviously is due to the investment of huge amounts of foreign capital."

The growth of manufacturing establishments of every sort in Latin America, Mr. Flisinger described as "proceeding at an amazing rate." In conclusion he urged that the United States should use more of Latin America's products in exchange for the goods which it imports from its northern neighbor.

Allet T. Treadway (R.), Representative from Massachusetts, told the finance session that when Congress meets next fall there will be a surplus of from \$400,000,000 to \$500,000,000 in the Treasury.

"There is no doubt that the first work of the Seventieth Congress, for which preparation will be made by the Ways and Means Committee in

advance, will be a further revision of the Revenue Act and many reductions in rates."

He forecast that cuts would be made in the so-called nuisance taxes, while a reduction in the corporation tax would be given attention. Before adjourning the finance division session passed a resolution advocating "immediate and substantial reduction in the corporate income tax."

TALKS ON FARMING
PLANNED FOR RADIONew England Agriculture
Heads at State House

The commissioners of agriculture of the New England States, in conference at the State House yesterday, approved a plan for daily radio market reports and special talks on agricultural subjects, to be given over Station WBZ, beginning in a few weeks.

Present at the conference were Dr. Arthur W. Gilbert, Commissioner of Agriculture for Massachusetts; E. H. Jones, Commissioner for Vermont; Andrew L. Falker, Commissioner of New Hampshire; H. L. Lewis, Commissioner of Rhode Island; Leonard H. Healey, Deputy Commissioner of Connecticut; and Charles M. White, head of the marketing division in the Maine Department of Agriculture. These commissioners constitute the subcommittee on agriculture of the New England Council.

Another meeting of the commissioners will be held on May 19 in this State House to consider the use of electricity for power and lighting in rural districts.

MAINE MASONS
IN COMMUNICATIONThe Rev. D. L. Wilson Is Re-
elected the Grand Master

PORTLAND, Me., May 4 (AP).—The Rev. David L. Wilson of Bath was re-elected Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of Maine at the 108th annual communication, which opened in Masonic Temple. Other principal officers also were re-elected. Convers E. Leach of Portland was elected Grand High Priest.

A membership increase in Masonic lodges of the State in 1926, the last year was reported by Charles B. Davis, Grand Secretary, making a total of 45,749 Masons in Maine May 1.

One new lodge was instituted during the year, Cornerstone Lodge, No. 218, of Deering, the first lodge to be chartered in the State in 10 years. St. Andrews Lodge of Bangor showed the greatest gain in membership during the year with 35 new members added. Deering Lodge, No. 183, of Woodford retains the record of largest membership in the State with 909 enrolled, and Ancient Landmark Lodge of Portland second with 800 members.

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WASHINGTON.—"Future trade relations between the United States and Latin America face a new era. All factors are favorable," said Victor M. Cutler, president of the United Fruit Company, at a joint meeting of the National Chamber of Commerce and Third Pan-American Commercial Conference here today.

Continuing Mr. Cutler said in part: "Friends are not made and business is not developed by calling for warships or rushing for protection of the home government. It is built by thorough investigation of conditions, sound and efficient management, and the rendering of service—all of which is not incompatible with proper financial rewards."

"South American business men should encourage their governments in promoting laws which will furnish a stable basis for the investment of large sums of capital, which will prevent monopoly or exclusive privilege, but which will not hamper the development of trade. They must realize that in largely undeveloped countries capital must be employed in large units. Risks are too great to be undertaken by individuals who cannot wait long years for the development of plantations, mines, and other businesses."

Calls for Confidence
"Our business friends in South America should not fear large corporations or large aggregations of banking capital. Size means responsibility; it means that the ablest men are in charge of operations and that there will be the fullest use of modern business practice and a realization of the need for service and development."

"The days of exploitation are over, and history shows that this practice has always been indulged in only by small, irresponsible companies and individuals, never by great companies or corporations which realize that permanent business—which is their aim—can only be established on the sound basis of square dealing."

"There should be no resentment at the need for borrowing capital. The United States until recent years financed nearly all its railroads and economic developments with foreign capital. And it must be remembered that a creditor nation must be al-

ways helpful and not harmful, otherwise the value of its investments would be destroyed."

Way Being Made Ready
"Harbor facilities and railways are being constructed all over Latin America. Banking connections have been made. Ships and steamship lines are already built and established. Transportation facilities of every kind are available. Communications by cable, wireless and telephones have enormously increased. The Panama Canal has been built. The stage is set for a vast increase in trade."

"There will indeed be a new era of business in the Western Hemisphere. The day of ruthless monopoly and the predatory business man is past. We have begun in both North and South America an era of business understanding, which always precedes social, political and cultural harmony. Progressive and successful business men of both continents know today that honorable dealing and service are not incompatible with big business and profit—that they are indeed synonymous with permanent and satisfactory business relations."

"All factors are present for vastly increased and mutually satisfactory trade. Business men of integrity will unite to bring about the greatest progress ever made in any era, which will give to North and South America—the whole Western Hemisphere—the industrial, economic, and cultural leadership of the world."

HONOR TEMPLE PRESIDENT
A banquet was given in honor of Felix Vorenberg, for 27 years president of Temple Israel, at the Hotel Somerset last evening. Carl J. Kefauver succeeds Mr. Vorenberg as president. A gathering of approximately 350 members of the congregation attended the testimonial. Judge A. K. Cohen presided. Those at the head table included Mr. and Mrs. Vorenberg; Mr. and Mrs. Kefauver; Rabbi Harry Levi and Mrs. Levi.

CITIES SERVICE POWER
Cities Service Power & Light reports for the 12 months ended Dec. 31, 1926, gross of \$51,791,749. Net earnings applicable to interest on bonds of Cities Service Power & Light were \$7,121,601. Net income available for the stock was \$4,424,296.

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Interesting Features of News Gathered From Many Parts of the World

GREAT BRITAIN'S SHIPYARDS BUSY

Amount of Shipping Under Construction Increases—More Coal Exported

Special from Monitor Bureau
LONDON—With 4,319,912 tons of coal exported from Britain in the month of March, a figure which exceeds that of the same month for several years, and with reports of greatly increased activities coming from the ship yards, British industry takes on an appearance of real expansion and profitable operation. The coal shipments are encouraging to everyone because they show that in spite of the heavy losses of foreign markets suffered during the long coal strike, foreign consumers prefer the British product and are back again for large quantities of coal.

There is a large drop in the exports of manufactured goods for March so far as values are concerned, but this is a curious enough, is a favorable sign. The drop is due to reduced price levels of Lancashire cotton goods, due to the greatly reduced price of the raw product from America. For years a serious concern has been the fact that the prices for British textiles from former large markets in India, China and elsewhere, but with greatly lowered prices it is believed that these former customers will return and that the mills will soon be working full time.

Iron and Steel Trades
Lloyd's Register report on shipbuilding for the quarter just ended has been most welcome. For many reasons shipbuilding may be called the bellwether of all the important industries of Britain because any pronounced activity in the shipyard means, first, that a great number of subsidiary industries employing much labor will receive an abundance of orders, and secondly it is evidence that foreign trade activities, such as large exports of iron and steel, manufactured goods, are expected by the business community.

The amount of shipping under construction in the British Isles on March 31 was 1,216,932 tons, or more by 456,848 tons than the figure at the end of December, and about 374,000 tons more than the amount under construction 12 months ago. A large increase in the work started during the quarter, which totaled 579,339 tons, as compared with only 52,404 tons in the preceding quarter. Besides this, contracts have been signed for a large amount of tonnage on which the yards will get busy the moment the necessary steel arrives.

What is going on in iron and steel may be judged from the fact that triple shifts are now the rule in the mills. Material, mostly for the shipyards, is being rushed through, but consumers of steel for other purposes still show a tendency to delay accepting deliveries. The output of steel in March was 949,600 tons, a remarkable increase which shows a rather unexpected elasticity in the industry. The 1913 monthly total was 638,600 tons. Making a small plain of a shortage of future orders.

Unemployment Diminishes
Meanwhile the budget has been revealed and the country knows the worst regarding its financial situation. Mr. Churchill's record has been such that the business interests looked forward to a relief of the tax burden, but the result is probably a good deal better than the most careful observers expected. The Economist remarks: "No one who is not a fool, a far-seer, or a statesmanlike. We have heard no one describe it as sound."

Nevertheless, the country knows that no additional taxation directly bearing on the productive trades will hamper continued expansion during the current year. There is widespread satisfaction that the sinking fund has been maintained and the nation's credit preserved. During the last few years there are tremendous amounts of outstanding indebtedness to be refunded by the Treasury, a great part of which is now bearing 5 per cent interest. It is felt that at all cost this rate must be reduced, thus cutting down the largest single item of the national expenditure, and that the present budget at least does nothing to mar the hope that this will be accomplished.

The whole situation may therefore be described as favorable. The tone of discussion in the trade and economic press may be described as genuinely optimistic, and is believed to reflect an improvement in conditions of trade and industry as they affect all classes. Unemployment goes down steadily, although not at the fast rate of a few weeks ago. It is believed that the unemployed will soon number less than 1,400,000, which in Britain means that the great majority of the workers are fully employed.

HOPE DYERS' STRIKE MAY BE AVERTED
BRADFORD, Eng. (Special Correspondence)—Hope is entertained that the threatened stoppage in the textile dyeing industry, set for May 8, when existing agreements expire, may be averted.

Trade-union negotiators, representing the 30,000 operatives in the industry, are still discussing possible terms with the employers. The dispute arose, it is claimed, from the employers' proposal to end what is known as the Mackenzie award, involving a reduction of 2s. 6d. a week for men, and 1s. 3d. for women. The unions refused, whereupon it is said, the master dyers gave notice to terminate all existing agreements.

FINLAND PLANS SCHOOL REFORMS
HELSINGFORS (Special Correspondence)—On request of the Finnish Riksdag (Parliament), the Government has appointed a committee to report on the reorganization of the schools. At present in Finland the public schools are obligatory, but do not prepare their pupils directly for the high schools. High schools, therefore, have their own preparatory schools. The aim

of the State is to make all elementary schools uniformly preparatory for the high school.

The development of schools in Finland has been nothing short of phenomenal. When the Nation became independent, the Government realized that its strength lay in the education of the people. Accordingly as soon as it had achieved a little freedom from more pressing business, it began making new school laws and building more schools. Today, in less than 10 years, Finland has more schools compared to the population than any country in Europe. School attendance is compulsory for any child who has reached 7 years and who lives not farther than approximately three English miles from a school.

WHEAT GROWING AREA INCREASED

Large Australian Tracts Made Productive by the Use of Irrigation

SYDNEY, N. S. W. (Special Correspondence)—Australia is adding by irrigation to its wheat-growing area. It is able to export considerable quantities of the crops as now grown, but the passing of the years may not see any greater volume forth, owing to the fact that the population of the country must be added to with increasing rapidity. There is general recognition of the fact that a country that can maintain 100,000,000 may not be permitted to retain that area for the support of a few more than 6,000,000.

The states of Victoria and South Australia join this state—New South Wales—and they have already brought large areas of lightly wooded territory (called mallee country) under wheat by means of irrigation. The locking of the Murray River, which runs through the three states, will enable much more to be done, and there will likewise be subsidiary schemes. One of the latter is now having attention. The proposal is to lock a smaller river in New South Wales known as the Lachlan, and from it to irrigate an additional 620,000 acres of land that with this aid will grow wheat with profit to the farmer.

Step by step the wheat area will be increased by similar works in other districts. It means farming with safety. There are large areas of such land to be treated, and as it is excellent soil, merely requiring the certainty of watering at the right time, many more prosperous families will be maintained on the land.

Some of the water taken from the Murray for irrigation purposes is applied in Victoria and South Australia to sugarcane and currant growing, as well as for fruit raising generally, and in instances to alfalfa cultivation. There will be like development in the western and southwestern portions of New South Wales.

BRITISH EXPEDITION EXPLORES IN TURKEY

Preliminary Excavation Work Is Carried on at Stamboul

CONSTANTINOPLE (Special Correspondence)—Excavations by the British Archaeological Expedition which are being carried on at the Place de l'Hippodrome, are at present only in their preliminary stage. A wide trench has been sunk between the Serpent Column and the Column of Porphyrogenitus extending over the greater part of the width of the Hippodrome, for the purpose of ascertaining the various levels of the Hippodrome and to fix the position, width and height of the spina, and if possible to find the remains of the monuments associated therewith.

As far as can be seen at present it seems probable that the ancient level of the Hippodrome lies under at least 20 feet of soil. The upper levels consist largely of filling which, judging from the fine fragments of Turkish colored tiles found in it, was placed there at the beginning of the seventeenth century in the time of Ahmed the First. The surface seems to have been remade at this time, and many improvements wrought.

Two large conduits were found, one running parallel with the length of the Hippodrome and one transversely across it. From the former conduit a branch runs to the base of the Serpent Column. This proves that the Serpent Column was used as a fountain with water issuing from the head of the serpent. These were all extant until the early part of the eighteenth century.

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PERSIA ADOPTS RAILWAY BILL

Main Trunk Line to Be Built Across Country by Way of Teheran and Hamadan

TEHERAN (Special Correspondence)—The Railway Construction Bill, which was introduced as an urgent measure, was passed recently by the Persian Medjlis by a large majority, and it has now received the royal assent. The bill authorizes the Government to proceed immediately with preparations for the construction of a main trunk line right across Persia from north to south, from Bundergah on the Caspian Sea, to Mohamerah on the Persian Gulf, by way of Teheran and Hamadan.

The bill also authorizes the purchase abroad of the necessary tools and materials which cannot be procured locally, and votes a sum of 4,500,000 tomos, equivalent to approximately \$1,000,000, during the next four years for blast furnaces for smelting iron for which a German expert has been engaged.

It was mentioned during the debate on the bill that the projected line, which is about 1400 miles in length, would take 10 years to construct, and it was estimated that the funds available from the revenues of the tea and sugar monopoly, which have been "wound amount to 7,000,000 tomos (about \$1,750,000), besides several millions which have already accumulated.

The American railway expert has lost no time in getting to work. He left Teheran some weeks ago for Mohamerah, where some of the American engineers who recently arrived in Bagdad under Mr. Carroll, the chief of the surveys, has already arrived.

Realizing that progress in Persia is impossible without railways, the Shah has always been anxious to see the introduction of them into the country. Persia is now one of the very few states in the world which has no railways except those of purely local importance, and it was he who, as Prime Minister two years ago, introduced and had passed by the Medjlis, the Sugar and Tea Tax Monopoly, which is the source of such considerable revenue to the country.

The actual sum at the Government's disposal may not seem large for an undertaking of such magnitude, especially in a country where there are at present no factories or commercial enterprises, which most of the rolling stock and material will have to be imported, but with the assured steady revenues from the sugar and tea monopoly as a good security, it is hoped that the Persian Government will be able to raise a loan abroad, once the scheme is under way.

LIVERPOOL SAVES "HOME FOR THE ARTS"

Building Threatened With Destruction Last Autumn

Special from Monitor Bureau
LIVERPOOL (Special Correspondence)—In the first years of the eighteenth century, when Queen Anne was still on the throne of England, a certain Capt. Bryn Blundell, a member of an old Lancashire family, who had quarreled with his relations and gone out into the world to seek his fortune, was struck with the poverty and miserable conditions of the children of Liverpool. As a result he founded a Blue Coat Hospital, housing it in a beautiful building, which still stands in the very heart of the busiest part of Liverpool.

Last autumn this fine example of Queen Anne architecture, which has won the admiration of the leading British architects, was threatened with destruction, but by the efforts of a number of public spirited citizens a fund of £22,000 was collected.

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lected out of the sum of \$40,000 required, and by raising the balance on mortgage the building was saved. Not only was an interesting and beautiful relic of the past thus preserved, but an ideal center was secured for artistic and intellectual societies and for individuals who care for the education of the intellect and the imagination.

A society, "The Bluecoat Society of Arts," has been formed and the property, now known as "Bluecoat Chambers," has been placed in the hands of trustees and secured for all time by a trust deed. Studies and club rooms will be let to suitable tenants, who will thus be brought into contact with each other, and as time goes on and funds become available, the trustees hope to further the cause of art, in its widest sense, by organizing exhibitions and musical and dramatic performances, and generally stimulating the intellectual life of the city.

Unfortunately there is an initial debt of about £3000 and some thousands more ought to be spent on immediate repairs and internal renovations. The present revenue will be sufficient, if once this heavy burden of debt is removed; but until that is achieved, the trustees will be forced to leave undone much that they would like to do, both for the repair of the fabric and for the promotion of art and learning.

MANCHESTER INDORSES THE "ENGLISH SUNDAY"

MANCHESTER, Eng. (Special Correspondence)—At a ballot organized by the Manchester Evening News and taken recently on Sunday games and Sunday cinemas, the results were as follows:

Sunday games—for 37,609; against, 198,062; total vote, 235,672. Sunday cinemas—for, 30,078; against, 205,648; total vote, 235,726. The questions put were these: "Are you in favor of Sunday games in public parks at times not interfering with the hours of divine worship?" and "Are you in favor of the opening of cinemas on Sundays after the hours of divine worship?"

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POLISH PATRIOT AT P. E. N. CLUB

Career of W. Sieroszewski Pinetuated by Prison, Banishment, and Escape

WARSAW, Poland (Special Correspondence)—Waclaw Sieroszewski, who attended the recent P. E. N. Club dinner in London, is perhaps the most distinguished of living Polish writers. His life has been one of extraordinary interest and adventure.

Waclaw Sieroszewski came of a family of country gentry distinguished for their patriotism. The insurrection of 1863 completely ruined them and the boy Waclaw was brought up by relatives. At 15 he left school and worked as a locksmith for a year. Afterward he entered a technical railway school. In 1879 he was tried by court-martial and only escaped capital punishment by reason of his youth. "Instead, he was banished to Wierchocansk, Siberia, whence he twice tried to escape.

Mr. Sieroszewski was then banished to Kolyma on the edge of the forests, which gave the material for his book, "The Borders of the Forests." Here he spent two years and wrote one of his finest short stories, "The Evil-Doer" (Chajlach), dealing with the tribe of Tungus inhabiting these parts. For lack of writing paper he wrote on old newspapers by the firelight with ink he fabricated himself from the sap of willows and iron rust.

In 1892 he was allowed to register himself in a peasant commune as a peasant and he received a passport which permitted him to live in Irkutsk. Here he was able to work at ethnographical material which he had collected and this obtained for him the recognition of the Petersburg Geographical Society, who presented him with a gold medal, and he got permission to return to Poland. Here he was able to publish many novels and short stories.

But in 1900 he again became involved in political intrigue, was arrested and confined very near to banishment to Siberia. From this he was saved by the intervention of the Russian Geographical Society who arranged an expedition for him to the Far East for the purpose of investigating the Altai tribes in Japan resulting in his book "Among the Hairy People," published in 1926. He returned to Poland at the time of the Japanese-Russian War and in 1905 was again arrested for participation in preparations for an armed workmen's movement organized by Joseph Pilsudski. The working men freed him from the citadel and he escaped abroad.

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Turning Theater Foyers Into Art Galleries Helps Film Standards

Movie Public Enjoys Frequently Changed Paintings and Artists Welcome Chance to Exhibit Informally

Hartford, Conn. (Special Correspondence)—Among the many who have tried to bring art to the American public by way of the motion picture theater, few have succeeded in such simple, effective way as Irwin Wheeler, a young exhibitor of New Canaan, Conn. Mr. Wheeler has merely turned the foyer in two theaters into an art gallery. He has exhibited there contemporary American paintings. His audiences have been delighted with this additional entertainment and he has found a New York dealer, William Macbeth Inc., who after one visit immediately asked for a year's exclusive right to arrange changing exhibits.

The idea developed naturally from the interest of the artists of the Silvermine group in the original little theater which Calvin Klessing, whose suburban home is also in New Canaan, had planned for the community motion picture house there. They believed that the treatment of brick walls and painted woodwork which he was introducing in the auditorium and they agreed to decorate the theater for its opening, with their latest canvases. The paintings were so much enjoyed by all who visited the theater that in the four years that have followed one man show has followed another without a break.

NATIONAL PARK IN TENNESSEE

State Matches North Carolina in Project for Great Smoky Mountains

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (Special Correspondence)—The Tennessee Legislature has "matched" North Carolina in authorizing a bond issue for establishing a national park in the Great Smoky Mountains, and Gov. Austin Peay signed the bill. The North Carolina Legislature had voted \$5,000,000, while the Tennessee Legislature voted \$1,500,000, but the difference is fully made up by the fact that the state of Tennessee and the City of Knoxville had already purchased the Little River tract of 80,000 acres as a nucleus for the park.

Both administration and anti-administration men came to the support of the bond bill and it was finally put through. Governor Peay was deeply interested in having the bill passed, and some of his opponents put aside factional differences and voted for the measure.

On May 15, Arno Cammerer, assistant director of the National Park Service, will come to Tennessee and visit the Great Smokies to define the boundaries of the 428,000 acres which, under the terms of the bill passed by Congress, North Carolina, and Tennessee are required for the park. He will be joined by his chief, Stephen T. Mather.

When that is done, the Smoky Mountains Conservation Association will appeal to the Nation to donate millions of dollars for the park. The land must be purchased and presented to the Government. The eastern part of the United States does not now have a large national park and the workers will emphasize the importance of acquiring and conserving the vast primeval Smokies before it is too late.

A resolution passed by the State Senate urges the Federal Government to designate as the "Coal Creek dam site" what is now known as Cove Creek, near Knoxville. Coal Creek is the small town at the site, and the resolution points out that to call the site "Cove Creek" causes confusion. A hydroelectric project backing a lake 70 miles long is proposed there, and preliminary survey is under way.

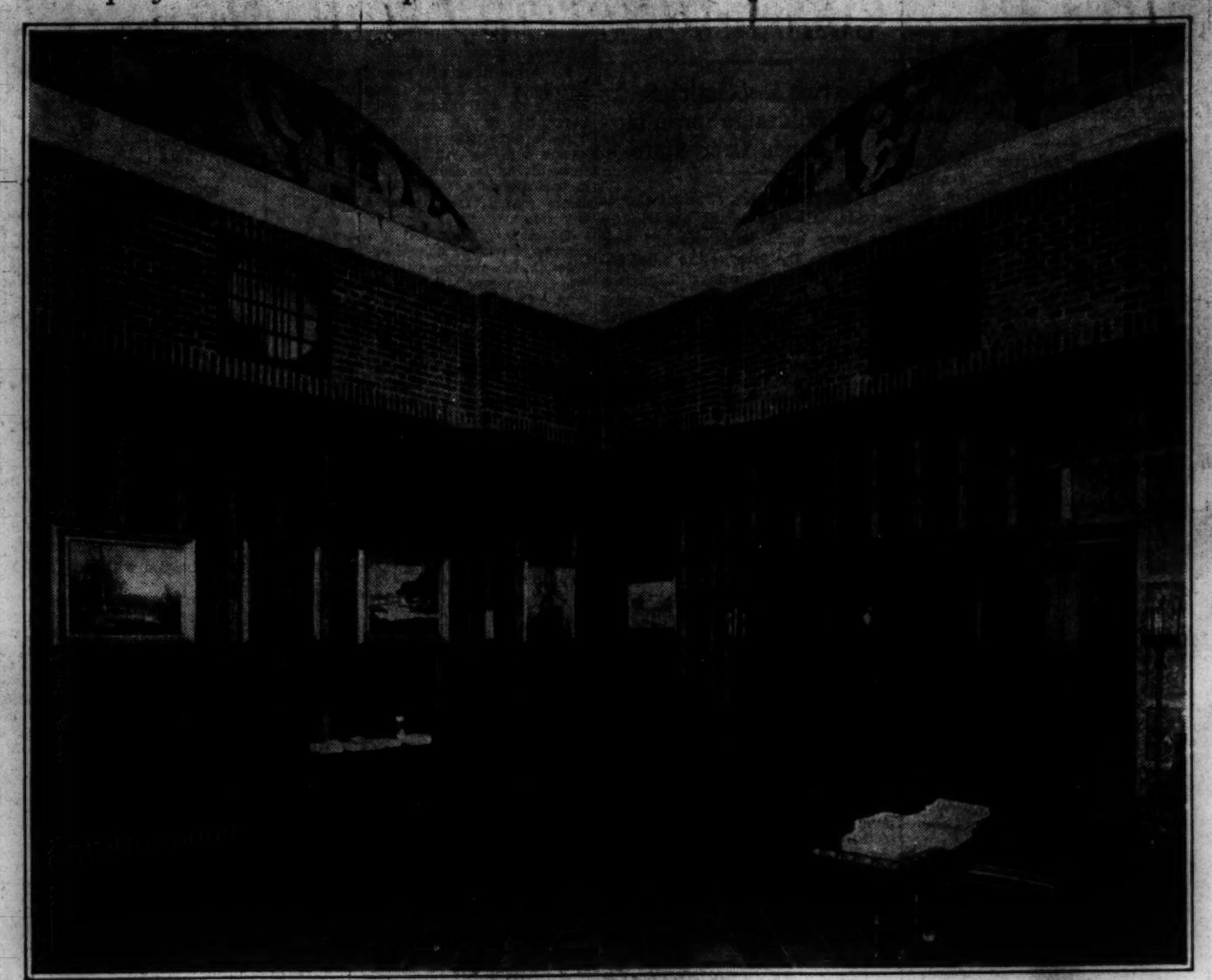
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The Playhouse, New Canaan, Conn., in Which the Foyer Has Been Made Into a Picture Gallery, Where Permanent and Temporary Exhibits of Paintings Are Hung.

Montana Metals Tax Stays Above \$400,000
HELENA, Mont. (Special Correspondence)—Metal mines of Montana will pay a gross production tax for 1926 of \$414,784.15, according to reports filed with the state board of equalization. This is a reduction of about \$30,000 from the tax paid upon the 1925 production. Of this total, about three-fourths, or \$327,795.31, was reported by the Anaconda Copper Mining Company and two of its subsidiary companies.

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YALE STUDENTS WIN ART PRIZES

Prix de Rome Fellowships in Painting and Sculpture Worth \$7000

Special from Monitor Bureau
NEW YORK, May 4.—Yale University School of Art has been honored by the award to two of its students of fellowships in the American Academy in Rome valued at \$7000 each. The two Prix de Rome winners were Dunbar Dyson Beck, of Indianapolis for painting and George Horstman Snowden of Bridgeport, Conn., for sculpture.

The fellowships include three years' study at the academy, an annual stipend of \$1250 and living accommodations during the entire time. In addition, the Grand Central Galleries here where the jury of award viewed the work of the artists, give the winners life memberships in the galleries valued at \$1800.

The judges in painting were Edward H. Blashfield, Francis C. Jones, Barry Faulkner, Douglas Volk and Ezra Winter. The sculpture judges were Daniel Chester French, Herbert Adams, James E. Fraser, John Gregory and Adolph A. Weinman. Honorable mentions in the field

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of painting were awarded to P. C. Elliott of Yale, D. M. Mattison of Yale, O. M. Ricci of the National Academy of Design, T. M. Stell Jr. of the Art Students' League, and H. X. Vancott of Yale. Adolph Bloch of the Beaux Arts Institute of Design received honorable mention in the field of sculpture.

Mr. Beck is the son of W. R. Beck, an air brake constructor of Indianapolis. He studied at the Yale School for three years and teaches classes in line drawing and composition there. He received the award on his work as a whole, but his large painting, "Adoration," was the dominating feature of his exhibit. He won over 27 competitors.

Mr. Snowden's winning sculpture is a piece called "Flora." He completed his course at the Yale School in 1925 and is now an assistant in his department of sculptures. He has

won 12 awards in various competitions and received an honorable mention for the Prix de Rome last year. All of the work of the competitors is on view at the Grand Central Galleries this week.

SOCIOLOGIST GOES TO CHICAGO
NEW YORK (AP)—Prof. William F. Ogburn of the department of sociology at Barnard College has resigned to join the faculty of sociology of Chicago University, where he will do graduate teaching. It was announced at Columbia.

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Scouts of Different Races Work and Play in Harmony

793 Americans in Hawaii Form 26 Troops—Henry Kim Wins 44 Merit Badges—Schools Support Movement

HILO, Hawaii (Special Correspondence)—The Boy Scout movement, now established all over the United States, has no firmer foothold anywhere than on the island of Hawaii, where only a small percentage of the population is Caucasian, where Orientals are in the majority. There are 793 young American Scouts in 26 troops, representing every section of the largest island in the Hawaiian group, and in the ranks are boys of Japanese, Chinese, Hawaiian, Korean and Filipino extraction, as well as Caucasians and others.

The different races make no difference in the work or play of the Scouts, and nowhere could a group of boys that work or play more harmoniously be found. The fact that they are all Americans, born on United States soil, unites them firmly in every way.

Included in the ranks are 13 Eagle Scouts, more than 50 Star Scouts, and every member is working to get into these classes. Not only the boys but their leaders are striving to win more merit badges and thus to advance to higher places in scouting.

So keen is the interest taken in this work that adult classes are formed here for the training of men who desire to become leaders in this work. The first class included 10 men, all of whom were graduated and awarded certificates.

Not only has the island of Hawaii several Eagle and Star Scouts, but it boasts the outstanding Eagle Scout of the entire territory, Henry Kim, Assistant Scoutmaster of Troop 30, American born of Korean parents, who has won 44 of the coveted merit badges. This means that he has com-

pleted his Eagle Scout requirement of 21, and in addition has won four palms, each of which requires five merit badges. Few boys even on the mainland equal this record, points out C. L. Bowker, Scout executive.

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With the Librarian

Feeding Pegasus: A Readers' Aid Undertaking

Washington, D. C. Special Correspondence

THE larger libraries over the country are appointing liaison officers and publicity assistants to their staffs. The duties of these workers are similar to those of the field representative of the Cincinnati Public Library, whose work is described in the recent A. L. A. volume, "Libraries and Adult Education." Such persons discover groups in the community which have conspicuous use for material in the library, but which are making little or no use of it. Cincinnati lists, for example, over 32 widely different types of organizations and groups with whom the library is now working. Indianapolis, Chicago, Cleveland, Boston, Milwaukee, are only a few of the libraries which add other combinations of potential readers to their extension activities.

In the survey quotations no mention is made of work with amateur and semi-professional writers, although those who "write"—quite apart from those who support themselves by the pen—are legion in every community. At least one person in every 500 of population may be counted upon to write gallantly off and on. These persons will all come to the library for help in print if contacts are made by the field representative; but without such aggressive action on the library's part, they work to a surprising degree without benefit of libraries. The extent of the material which the library might supply is by no means understood by writers.

This paper is an attempt to list the various simple methods which widely different libraries have consciously used with such writers, and used with success; for any intensive work put upon them by a library yields results quite out of proportion to the effort.

Various Discussion Groups

Liaison officers soon discover that more discussion groups than they imagined possible are meeting regularly to read the manuscripts of their members aloud and to criticize constructively. The League of American Pen Women, for example, has 60-odd branches throughout the country. Local institutions, also, usually list in their catalogues at least one course in "advanced English composition," not necessarily for credit, admitting as auditors many who are journeying apprentices in the writer's craft. To these a supply of library cards and the frequent use of the library's resources, especially "The Readers' Guide" and "Pirkin's Index to Short Stories," may easily be made essential.

Don Marquis made fun of Hermon and her "little group of serious thinkers," but such groups are nothing for librarians to scoff at, since most of them turn in time into little groups of serious writers, new opportunities for library relations. Libraries are now searching out such groups and at the opening of the season addressing them on "Tools at the Library for Writers." Exhibits of typical books, pamphlets and magazines, also lists for distribution, often accompany the speaker from the library. In the fashion of the Cincinnati Library these books are often issued at once to the members of the audience who wish these samples for home use.

Libraries with files of mounted pictures and with special collections of finely illustrated editions find that would-be authors and authors in process of construction use the pictures for background material quite as often as do illustrators and commercial artists, once the accessibility of these two services is known.

In smaller cities where the newspaper office has no library the supplying of facts and library books to the persons who write the newspaper copy is an important function of the library (though less often seized upon by librarians than the fact that the newspaper is a desirable outlet for library publicity). The editor of the village paper may want to write up the effect of the movie, "Robin Hood," on the lads of the village, for example. If the library has adequately

he kept low so that people of moderate means may realize the advantages of air travel.

The Air Ministry has given permission for four of its fastest machines to take part in the Aerial Derby. These will be the Avro "Avenger," the Fairey "Firefly," the Gloster "Gorcock," and the Hawker "Hornbill."

It is proposed to form a national council for the various flying clubs in Great Britain. Its functions will be to watch the interests of flying clubs and their pilots and to enable a concerted policy to be followed.

The Shell-Mex Company has the distinction of being the first commercial company to purchase an airplane for business purposes. The machine is a Moth, and has been christened Aron, the reference being to the aromatics which are an important constituent in aircraft fuel.

Amateur writers and semi-professional writers have two problems: to write better copy than they are at present writing, and to sell what they write.

Helping writers to market their wares is the easiest part of the librarian's task, paradoxical as it may seem. A few cases of private instruction by the reference assistant in the intricacies of "Ayer's Newspaper Annual" and the science of making out a list of possible markets is half learned. If the library can afford trade and technical magazines, it ought to include one of the writers' market magazines to supplement Ayer.

For those writers who write not with a definite type of periodical in view, but because they have good material to express, Frank K. Walter's brochure on "Periodicals for Small Libraries," with its wise cautions, is a good pamphlet to place in their hands. In all talks with persons who hope to publish, the librarian does best to stress examination of the library's collection. Nothing takes the place of the study of a sample copy of a magazine, to learn the kind of articles the editor will buy. The busy periodicals rooms of the main library in New York and of the Library of Congress each see young writers using the department to study out possible markets and to learn from skimming over the contents and general make-up of certain periodicals whether their own unsold manuscripts might possibly suit the style and policy of a given magazine. Where libraries have good collections of trade magazines any number of writer-borrowers may be added to the technical department's clientele by a little judicious advertising.

Readers' advisers are daily introducing the readers' guide and the "Industrial Arts Index" to writers as guides for marketing manuscripts can tell an author exactly how long it has been since an article fairly similar to his has appeared in print, what magazines have published the article, also what articles and illustrations have been presented. "The Children's Catalog" has a parallel field of usefulness.

Librarians have another contribution to make to writers, especially to able writers who undertake long pieces of finished workmanship. Librarians know what types of books and articles people ask for over and over again, and exactly how easy or hard it is for a library to supply these wants. They also can save the writer's time and effort by pointing out the kinds of books with which the market is glutted and the books which have already been done so well that it would be unwise to attempt a similar one for a number of years.

Air Traffic Notes

Special from Monitor Bureau

20-SEATER Argosy liner of Imperial Airways recently had a cargo of 800 day-old chickens, 1000 eggs for setting and 7 two-month-old Pekinese puppies. The chickens and eggs were for Switzerland.

Capt. R. H. McIntosh, the senior pilot on Imperial Airways, has completed eight consecutive years flying and has carried over 8000 passengers. The airplanes which he flew in 1919 carried two passengers only.

The London to Cologne record was broken recently when the flight of 325 miles was made in 2 hours 25 minutes. It saved one passenger several hours on his way to Frankfurt.

Following the idea of big sea liners carrying out tourist cruises, Imperial Airways are organizing trips over London in their big air liners during the coming summer. Fees will

KENTUCKY SETS SCHOOL GOALS

Education Association Seeks More Equitable Spreading of Funds Over State

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (Special Correspondence)—"An equal opportunity for every child in Kentucky" was brought to the fore as the chief objective of the Kentucky Education Association, at its recent annual convention. With this aim in view, the association adopted a legislative program looking to the attaining of the following goals:

1. A state board of education, composed of educators rather than of politically elected officers of the State.

2. An equitable distribution of school funds throughout the State, whether by constitutional amendment or legislative action.

3. A law that will provide such a distribution of school funds in each county as will guarantee equal opportunity to all children therein. This is aimed to provide better education for Negroes and for all children living outside special "graded school districts," which benefit, to a large extent, from local industrial taxation.

4. A law that will preserve to county boards of education the same freedom in selecting their school officials, teachers, and other employees that city schools and graded school boards now enjoy. This would do away with political election of county school superintendents.

An interesting feature of the convention was the address of Dr. Payson Smith, Commissioner of Education of Massachusetts, who cited the tendency to use the schools in connection with food, health, safety, and many other campaigns, and who declared he would prefer some such novelties as "Arithmetic Day," "Spelling Day," "English Grammar Day," and "History Day."

CALIFORNIA ADDS TO SPEED LIMITS

Juries Also Recommend Punishment of Drunken Drivers

SACRAMENTO, Calif. (Special Correspondence)—Increased speed on the highways is combined with greater safety in motoring in an act recently passed by the California Legislature.

Highway speed in districts outside the corporate limits of cities has been increased by the act from 35 to 40 miles an hour. A provision of the act makes it mandatory that a rigid test shall be given all applicants for operators' licenses and provides that licenses outstanding three years or more may be recalled and the drivers examined before new licenses are granted.

In the past all applicants were granted licenses without examination, and later examinations were optional with officials of the State Division of Motor Vehicles. Another section of the act authorizes juries to recommend punishment in cases where intoxicated drivers are on trial.

COMPTROLLER SEEKS BETTER COLLECTIONS

AUSTIN, Tex. (Special Correspondence)—S. H. Torsell, state comptroller for Texas, believes that at least \$2,000,000 out of \$10,000,000 in taxes which he says escape collection can be brought in. A plan has been worked out and the special Legislature will be asked to adopt it. It provides for setting up six districts, each with a supervisor and two or three auditors, who would co-operate with county officials in rounding up the delinquent accounts.

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In one of the most entrancing spots of the famous South St. Vrain Canyon, six miles west of here, this man operates a free camp ground each summer. And free it is in the highest sense of the word—no store in connection, no filling station, no repair service, not even a vegetable garden, an orchard, or a flock of poultry from which to profit by sales to tourists. The only return this venerable person receives or desires is the satisfaction that comes from loving service to his fellow men, the enjoyment of his guests, the uncubed delight of children romping through his grounds.

Thousands of tourists each season stop at the camp to drink in passing and to fill their radiators against the climb into the high country of the greater peaks. The water, direct from the famed St. Vrain Glacier, high in the altitude of eternal snows, dashes down through the rocky-walled gorge, icy-cold, and as pure as dew. It is a rare treat, indeed, to the thirsty traveler.

Of the thousands who thus pause, hundreds during the season, impressed by the mild face, the gentle and kindly philosophy, and the hospitality of this true gentleman of the mountains, remain to pitch their tents for a day or more in his camp. None of these fortunate ones can fail, after such association, to take back with him into the ways of his everyday life a something that influences softly his attitude toward all men.

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Generally you will find the owner of this camp on his little porch ready to greet each visitor with his welcoming smile, his gentle philosophy, his helpful advice and directions. If any chance, you should not find this "friend to man" sitting before his door, he will not be far distant. Take the footbridge across the stream, and there you will see him assisting his guests in arranging their camps, building or repairing tables and benches, or constructing rock fireplaces. He is an active and attentive host, and an impartial one.

And in the code of this sage of the Rockies, evil has no place. All is good, as was willed by the Creator "in the beginning." Should a table be broken down, should the pall disappear from the wall or the cup be missing from its place at the great rock, thoughtlessness, rather than intent is held responsible.

On an occasion of this sort, an indignant neighbor said: "When people appreciate so little what you are doing for them as to take or destroy your property, I can't understand why you do not close this camp and let them fare for themselves."

"Well," returned the philosopher of the hills, with his slow, unrumpled smile, "it is not a serious matter to place another pall on my wall or a new cup at the stream. As for the table, an hour's time will put it in repair. Why should I deny a thousand good friends the use of this camp because one individual seems thoughtless?"

People Hold on to Bibles, Says Second-Hand Dealer

Special from Monitor Bureau

CHICAGO—Because so many people want to buy second-hand Bibles, and so few desire to sell their copies, supplying the demand is a problem for the dealer in used books, according to the manager of one of Chicago's downtown book shops.

"In the last few weeks I have had calls for 75 or 100 Bibles," said Charles B. Davies, manager of a book store on Van Buren Street in the midst of the business district. "Because we are unable to get used copies of the Bible we have put in a stock of new volumes which sell at a reasonable price. People prefer to keep their Bibles."

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Mesopotamian Expedition Uncovers 5000-Year-Old Ruin

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CHICAGO, May 3.—Built 5000 years ago by the Sumerians and restored 2500 years later by Nabonidus, King of Babylon and father, according to the Field Museum, of Belshazzar, the magnificent temple of the Earth Goddess of Harasagkemma has been completely cleared by the Field Museum-Oxford University joint expedition to Mesopotamia.

This was announced by D. C. Davies, director of the museum here on receipt of word from the expedition which he said has made "a number of valuable finds which may help throw light on the civilization of the dim past." Various objects discovered are now on their way to the Chicago Museum.

The temple was dug up from the colossal ruins marking the site of what was known as Harasagkemma, seat of the early Sumerian kings. The ruins, some five miles long, are in eastern Kish. The clearing of the temple is regarded as a progressive step in the hunt for a solution to the puzzle of this ancient civilization, Mr. Davies said.

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HI-Q RECEIVER USES VARIABLE PRIMARY IDEA

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This is the first of two articles on the popular Hi-Q Receiver. The theory of this interesting receiver is discussed here, and the construction details in the next story.

By VOLNEY D. HURD

During the summer of 1924 a receiver known as the Roberts was being consistently featured by Radio Broadcast. At the same time in about the same proportion this newspaper was featuring the Brown-Drake receiver. Both used almost the same circuit. Both achieved probably a more lasting popularity than any other two receivers that have ever been presented to the home constructor market.

The Roberts receiver was later taken up by several manufacturers, particularly the Hammarlund Company, and featured in kit form. This year it was revealed that the previous circuit in its one stage tuned R-F and regenerative detector form did not quite meet the needs of present-day broadcasting conditions and the so-called Hammarlund-Roberts "Hi-Q" (meaning high efficiency) receiver was presented. This receiver has proved so popular that after a winter of successful tests it seems desirable to present a discussion of its theory and construction to our readers.

The basic circuit of the Hi-Q is a two-stage tuned R-F amplifier, a non-regenerative detector and two stages of audio amplification. From this point on the difference from the usual run of receivers is quite marked. It uses a variable primary coupling in the R-F transformer. This gives an even transfer of energy at all wavelengths; a result not usually achieved by the ordinary run of fixed transformers.

Other receivers using a variable primary utilize this device as the oscillation control. Also, in the Hi-Q, neutralization is applied to the R-F stage so that maximum coupling may be had at all wavelengths. When the variable primary alone is used this coupling has to be very loose in order to prevent oscillation which means a loss of energy transfer. The neutralizing means of stabilization must be utilized in any circuit of this sort for real efficiency and the Hi-Q therefore uses the six Roberts type of neutralization.

A chief advantage of the Hammarlund-Roberts design is shown when their claims for the difference between variable and fixed primary transformers. This chart is really self-explanatory. If the theoretical advantages pointed out are at all achieved in practice then here is a truly efficient R-F system.

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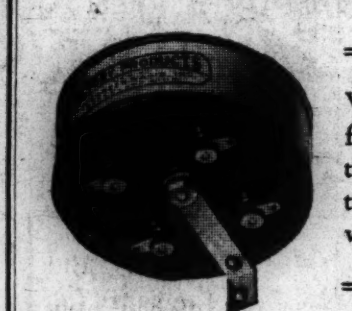
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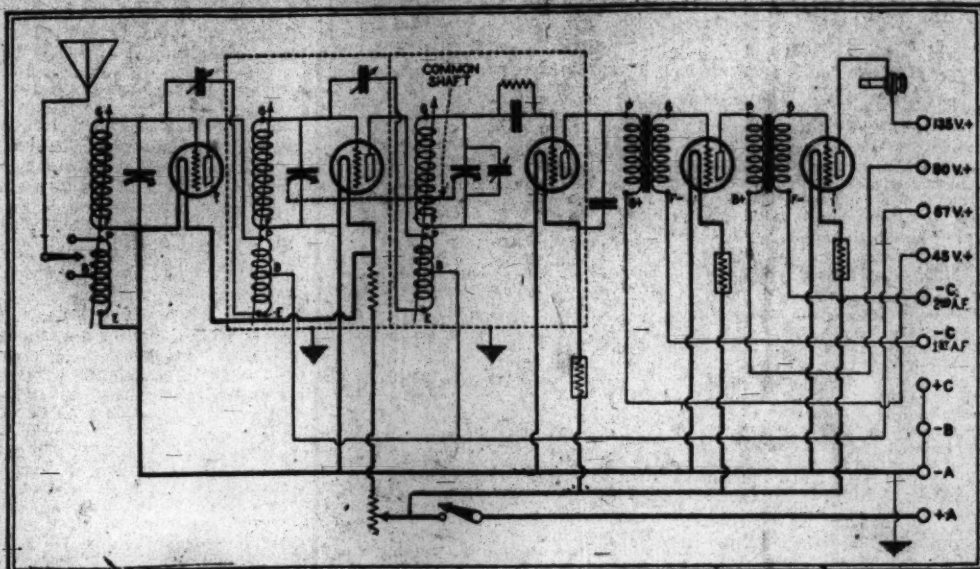
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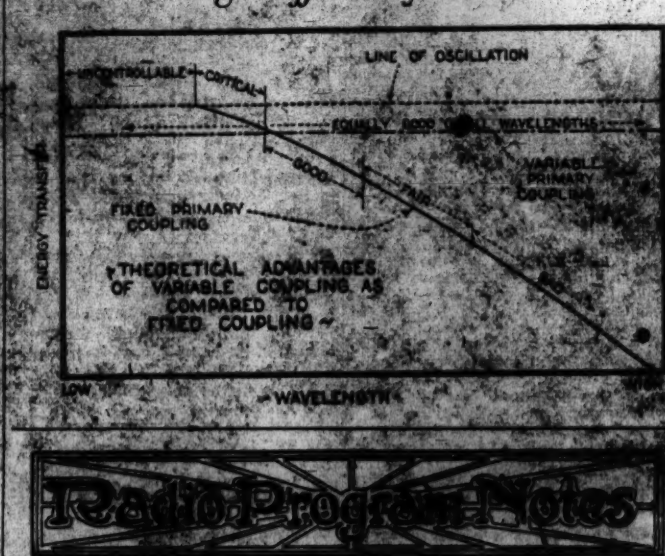
Another important part of the Hi-Q receiver is the use of shielding. This practice cuts down the stray feedback forces and also prevents the pickup of strong local signals. This pickup is only important in the second and third tuned circuits as the antenna-ground system incorporates the first tuned circuit.

This receiver is comparatively simple to put together with the present efficient kit systems with all the necessary parts easily obtainable and with drilled and engraved panels and subpanels. The complete list of parts is as follows:

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1 Carter No. 10-M-10 combined rheostat and filament switch (10 ohm).
1 Carter No. 12 "imp" aerial switch.
1 Sangamo .0005 mfd. fixed condenser.
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1 Durham metalized resistor, 5 meg-ohms.
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High Efficiency Chart



INDIAN musical themes arranged with modern harmony have earned a definite niche for themselves in American music. No people should be so capable of interpreting these lovely things as the Indians themselves. It should therefore prove a rare treat to listen to Princess White Deer in a recital of American Indian songs from WGBH Sunday evening at 10:40 o'clock.

It is interesting the way these people have become absorbed into the routine life of the United States. The particular lady in question is an accomplished dancer as well as singer and is playing a featured role in the musical comedy "Lucky" now playing in New York City. She is the granddaughter of the famous Mohawk chief, Running Deer.

Opportunity to hear the entire company of the new musical comedy "Lady Do" will be given by WABC Friday at midnight featuring the major portions of this production. These gatherings are usually marked with a most interesting informality, an in-

formality seldom realized even in the most careful sort of intimate stage productions where an effort is made to obscure the line which divides the audience from the performers.

Proceeding the "Lady Do" radio-gram, an organ recital by John Brady will be on the air at 9 o'clock, followed by the Radio Bournemouth feature at 9:30 and a vaudeville sketch at 9:45. The always appealing Vagueros will present half an hour of Argentine dance music at 10:10 with the Cameo following at 10 o'clock. One could spend the whole evening with WABC and keep quite happy.

Ovide Musin, noted Belgian violinist and composer, will be the subject of a musical lecture-oper station WMAA on Sunday evening at 10 o'clock. Several of Musin's compositions will be used to illustrate the talk, among them being "Words from the Heart," "Extase" and "Mexicana."

One of the most unique radiocasts on record will be given Thursday evening over the N. B. C. Red Network when a special arrangement of "In the Gloaming" arranged for four cellos will be given under the auspices of the Cadillac-LaSalle interests. The stations used include WBAF, WEEB, WJAB, WTAQ, WTC, WGR, WFI, WRC, WOSH, WCAE, WTAM, WJW, WDAF, WGY, WHAS, WSM, WBS, WMC, WMAQ, KVOO and WFAA.

Much interest is attached to the four cello arrangement of the old song by Anne Fortescue Harrison. The setting assigns one of the four voice parts to each of the four cellos. Perhaps this will be the beginning of other arrangements for this unique musical combination.

A last minute notice tells of a special radio broadcast by the noted explorer, Donald B. MacMillan, from WBBZ-WBZA tonight at 8 o'clock. The first public details of his log for the new trip north will be given out at this time. The trip will be for the purpose of studying the plant and animal life for the Field Museum of Chicago.

Among the visitors from various parts of the world who registered at the Christian Science Publishing House yesterday were the following: Albert W. Stone, Denver, Colo.; Margaret Stone, Denver, Colo.; Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Smith Jr., Utica, N. Y.; John F. Chaster, Washington, D. C.; Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Longmeadow, Mass.; Ralph E. Howe Jr., Longmeadow, Mass.; Paul N. Noble, Kansas City, Mo.; M. W. Belcher, Kansas City, Mo.; Miss Beulah Jacoby, Meridian, Miss.; Mrs. Ellen G. Frye, Cleveland, O.; Charles G. Stetefeldt, New York City.

PHILADELPHIA SCHOOL BONDS PHILADELPHIA, May 4.—Bids will be received May 30 for school district of Philadelphia \$2,000,000 4 per cent serials dated June 1, 1927, and due serially 1937-1944.

Radio Programs

EASTERN DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME

WBAE and WJZ, Boston-Springfield, Mass. (333 Meters)

6:15 p. m.—Baseball results.
6:18 Lenox Ensemble.
6:25 Bert Lowe and his orchestra.
7:30 Radio Nature League.
8:30 Talk by Capt. Donald B. MacMillan, Arctic explorer, on "Plants of the Arctic-MacMillan-Field Museum Expedition of 1927."
8:30 Ladies' Quartet.
9:15 WJZ soloist with Nathaniel Shilkret's orchestra.
10:15 "Radio News."
11:30 Leo Kellman and his orchestra.
11:30 Weather.

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1:30 William Wilson, Scottish songs and stories.
2:30 Mary French Aldrich, readings, "Hastings New Year's Party."
3:30 Morris Komins and his orchestra.
WBET, Boston, Mass. (335 Meters)

4 p. m.—Events: baseball scores: baseball summary.
7:10 Dinner concert, Empire Orchestra.
7:40 To be announced.
8:45 Adelle Braham, soprano.
8:15 Instrumental program.
8:30 William Trio: Harold Kagan, violinist; Rudolph Nettle, cellist; Leonard Bailey, pianist.

9 To be announced.
WNAC, Boston, Mass. (428 Meters)

4 p. m.—Happy Stanley and Bert Nickerson.
4:30 Popular selections by Jack Fay and Rose Golden.
4:30 News.
4:35 "Duke" Eisenberg and his Sinfonians.
4:45 Day in Finance.
5:15 Live stock and meat report.
5:30 Krazy Kookles Kimer.
5:30 Dinner dance, direction Jacques Renard.
5:37 Movie news.
5:37 Continuation dinner dance.
7:55 Baseball scores.
7:55 News.
7:55 The Lady of the Ivory.
7:55 Newspaper talk.
8:45 Wallace and Forest Hills.
8:30 One-act play, "Oula," by Morris McNell, WNAC Players.
9:30 Program under auspices Council of the Young Men's Association, direction Ralph Harlow.

10:00 News. New Elks Hotel; Shepard Store Mutual Aid Association dance; music by Perley Stevens and his orchestra.

Tomorrow

10:30 a. m.—WNAC Women's Club: Bible reading, Rev. Frederick E. Heath, Jamaica Plain; Joseph Lopez, baritone; Helen Studinska, violin; "Household Hints," Jean Sargent.
11:30 WNAC Cooking School, conducted by Alice Bradley.
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THE HOME FORUM

Listening to New Voices in Literature

READING the other day one of the new books devoted to what might be called Futurist Literature (if such a thing as Futurism in literature really exists), I could not help agreeing with the modern critic who, after exhibiting a list of the subjects which for hundreds of years have been particularly dear to the hearts of writers, deplored the uniform darkness and horror of so much that has engaged the earnest attention of mankind up to our own days. I will not quote the paragraph nor burden my readers with the long black list of topics—most of them relics of the age of Romanticism—therein tabulated as having been long deemed fullest of interest and imaginative value; for everyone must recognize for him or herself that the honey-sweet of truth, the brave, the reasonable, joyful, successful, patient, childlike, pure, meek, or provably powerful have indeed found few exponents in the world of letters.

Nor have things altered greatly during our own epoch. Dismal problems, strange dreams, material ambitions, short-sighted action, the thorniest of human enigmas; the most contrary of the ways of men; woman as what Marineti rightly called a "bibelot tragique"; these are the ever recurring topics in drama and romance. But surely we are all growing wiser and the days are drawing nearer when literature will reflect our wisdom and a new kind of author appear who will love light rather than darkness and seek topics of a wholly new order—dealing in thoughts that are dynamic rather than doleful. All this I have been thinking ever since I shut up my disconsolate new volumes I had caused to be sent to me. The writers were all new, or nearly new, and I had imagined I was going to find a Blake, a Donne or a Doughty among them.

How wonderful it would be and how reviving to see literature grow wings, mount up, sweep wider, climb higher, sing to us in a new fashion of positive excellence of joy and true delight. "Imagine a new Milton driving far off the barbarous dissonance," a twentieth century Milton, unwarped, seeing, overcoming! Such a thing is possible. Once or twice

already in the world, at epochs like our own, when literature has been languishing has there not come a great rebirth of poetry and poetic feeling? Readers of Gaston de Launay will remember how Walter Pater, transferring our imagination to the plains of La Beauce in the age of the Pléiade, tells how that very sweet youth Jamin gave to his friend and fellow-student Gaston, a book of new poetry by their contemporary, Pierre de Ronsard, and how Gaston, reading it, with boundless delight, found therein set forth in beautiful poetic fashion all "the trust and irregular poetry of his own nature," his own favorite thoughts, his very manner of looking at the world, at nature and art; and, overwhelmed by his delight was constrained to greatly hope that he might make the acquaintance of the learned poet.

Which momentous encounter is, in due time, brought about by the novelist, who, at the end of a long day's journey contrives to let Gaston find the poet digging in an ancient quiet garden. What most delighted Gaston (who was not ungrateful for the condescension of the past, though desiring new things) was the feeling that here was genuine contemporary poetry all that recent things felt random, "the magic word spoken in due time, transforming his own age and the world about him."

It will avail him little, however, if here the reader pauses, rises, takes Ronsard's poems down from his bookshelf and opening the volume, random, seeks that honey-dew, that fresh elixir of felicitous phrase sitting in so eagerly by Gaston, sitting against the old wall in his cherished hours of midday leisure. For though we may dream awhile over the lovely lines to the rose or the blossom of the May, find excellences therein, sweet images, the scent of the little woods of long ago; these are but faint far-away echoes of true feeling and we must needs now read Ronsard as Gaston read his Ovid, with quiet, cold attention; for as Pater says, "the poetry that has lost in time its thumbrustic power and become mere literature."

Yet, how many of us scanning in our modern fashion the columns in our literary journals given up to the announcement of new books, are not always secretly hoping to find companionship of thought; to discover as Gaston did our own thoughts reflected back to us in a contemporary book, be it prose or poetry. For not only is it true that "the literature of the ancients can never be to us moderns anything but a transplanted literature," but even within the literature of an epoch just gone by, there falls a strange dust of experience, at least upon that portion of it that reflects environment, outlook, possibilities of achievement, for such things are always changing, as men and women advance and grow freer and more hopeful in outlook.

So that much as one may delight in the great literature of the past, the poetry, drama or romance that once and forever have captivated the world—in its music and pictures, too, nevertheless, each age desires to find an expression of its own thoughts and, secretly or openly longs to discover its own faith, its aspirations and ideals, strengthened, embellished and glorified, by Art, given back to it from the pages of poet or prophet.

I am not sure that we are not all conscious on opening a new book or going to see a new play of some such faint vague hope, that there is a feeling concerning contemporaries, such as is expressed in those rather pathetic verses of Christina Rossetti's:

"Somewhere or other there must surely be
The face not seen, the voice not heard,
The heart that not yet—never yet—
As he
Made answer to my word.

Somewhere or other, maybe near or far;
Past land and sea, clean out of sight,
Beyond the wandering moon, beyond the star
That tracks her night by night."

So, we are always listening for new voices and are more enamored still and small, when we hear it! Would a new prophet's words, as John of Brigena put it, so long ago, coming into the hands of such as are truly seeking wisdom, "be kissed and welcomed"? I hope so. At present, however, sitting down to the unravelling of our newest authors' often "winding ways circuitous," their strange idiom and complicated metaphoric diction, we are oftenest like Jack Horner in corners, but disappointed of our plums. Not that this daunts us. We who love literature will, even if we vow to close our doors to the whole race of moderns for a day, a month or a year, always repeat of the decision, open our hearts to them again and return to the search for perfection, always hopeful that at last we shall find what we are seeking. G. T.



Blebury Watercress Beds. From a Drawing by W. A. Chase

Dragon-Flies

For more than ten centuries, Hearn tells us, the Japanese have been fond about dragon-flies. They are more suggestive lines written in the popular seventeen syllable form known as Hokku. Thus:

Like a fleet of crimson kossamer threads, the flashing of the dragon-flies.

Dyed he is with the color of autumn days—O the red dragon-fly

See the dragon-fly is resting awhile upon the temple-bell

Lonesomely clings the dragon-fly to the underside of the leaf—Ah, the autumn rains

Dragon-flies are fitting, and the moon sun is shining above the village where nothing eventful ever happens.

O the thin shadow of the dragon-fly's wings in the light of sunset!

In the time between the setting of the sun and the rising of the moon—red dragon-flies.

Quaint word-pictures, nothing more; not poetry as we understand it, yet these hokkus of the elder Japan show how closely the poets observed insects, their naive delight in the ways of nature. STANLEY DAVIS KIMURA, in "Cruising Around the World and the Seven Seas."

Nancy in April

It was late April in the valley, and spring had come all at once in a full burst of glory. The front hall of the Donahy farm-house, which had been shut up tight during the winter, was thrown wide open with its two great doors, and the sunshine stretched a golden carpet across the floor.

Outside, the very air seemed gay. It was full of the warm scent of growing things and the fragrance of blossoming things and the twittering of birds. And the little girl, Nancy—who in the old Bible record upstairs was written down as Ananias' daughter—was sitting on the grass, looking up at the sky. She had just been born. She ran to the big front door. Before her the broad lawn stretched away all green and golden, ashine with morning and with spring. Winter had lasted a very long time. It seemed to Nancy but a moment before that her world had been only as big as the striped sitting-room carpet, bounded on all sides by the sitting-room walls. And above her a dark ceiling that she could touch with her hands when her father lifted her high. And when she had flattened her little nose against the cold wind-lawn pane she had seen the broad black tree trunks in bleak rows about it, and only a chirping snow-bird or two for company.

But now! It was as if God had said, "Let there be spring!" and there was spring! And it was the morning of the first day. The world was new. It lay there ready for exploring. It called with many voices. And Nancy wriggled with delight and broke into joyful laughter. The birds sang and sang because they had to for very gladness. The young lambs in the field capered and pranked and played. A rabbit leaped playfully across the grass. The fragrant blue hyacinths swung their bells in the breeze. And all the air stirred with rustlings, as of eager buds bursting and of green things pushing up. On a blossoming peach-tree a blackbird was singing his song of love. He preened his shimmering neck for Nancy to see, and sang and sang again as the rose petals fell about her in a shower. Mary Mace Arkson, in "The Shining Hours."

In the Middle of Blebury village in Berkshire lie the watercress beds.

It is said that they are ancient ones, probably hundreds of years old. We know that among the old cries of London "Blebury Cresses" mingled with "Sweet Lavender" and other plants to the town dweller.

Early spring is the time to linger around the watercress beds, for the fresh crop is in full verdure. The banks that surround the beds are steep and studded with celandine. A footpath winds round them in such a way as to give a vantage spot for quiet observation. Some fortunate ones have applied the saying: "Ideal froggy conditions." Emerald of hue the cress lies like a carpet on the fresh spring water. Its surface broken with little pools, gleams of light with a hint of blue. All around are orchards, and rising out of their midst the massive square tower of the village church dating from Saxon days, and from which the curfew bell is still rung.

Frogs abound. You may see them popping up here and there and splashing about enjoying life in such ideal froggy conditions. Emerald of hue the cress lies like a carpet on the fresh spring water. Its surface broken with little pools, gleams of light with a hint of blue. All around are orchards, and rising out of their midst the massive square tower of the village church dating from Saxon days, and from which the curfew bell is still rung.

A Night Abroad

Then followed one of the most beautiful and exciting nights I have had for years.

Percy and I decided to bicycle. We started about 11.0: went slowly to Barton, and so to Haslingfield; then between Haslingfield and Harston we lay long on the grass, near ricks, listening to owls and the snoring of some beast that drew nigh, to far-off dogs barking, and cocks crowing. The stars were like the points of pendants in the irregular roof of a cave—not an even carpet of stars, but a few bright ones about 1.0, and then made a long halt near the G. N. R. bridge on the way to Newton; but no trains passed, so we went on about 1.45 to Shelford; and this was very sweet, dark, and shadowed by dark trees, while Alford and Aldebaran and other great shining stars slowly wheeled above us.

We got to the G. E. R. bridge at Shelford—I was anxious to see the train—and half-a-dozen great jugglers jagged through with a cloud of steam and coloured lights. There was one that halted, and the guard walked about with a lantern; a melancholy policeman was here, in the shadow. The owls again hooted and screamed and cocks roared hoarsely.

Suddenly we became aware it was the dawn! The sky was whitening, there was a green tinge to east, with rusty stains of cloud, and stars went out. We went on about 2.30 to Grantchester, where the mill with lighted windows was rumbling, and the water ran oily-smooth into the ink pool among the trees. Then it was day; and by the time we rode into Cambridge, getting in at 3.30, it was the white morning light—while all the places so mysteriously different at night had become the places one knew. We found some bread-and-butter . . . when we went out round the garden, the day now brightening up; after which I went to bed, but P. walked till 5.0. The mystery, the coolness, the scent, the quiet of it all were wonderful, and the thought that this strange transformation passes over the world this night by night seemed very amazing. . . . We talked of many things, but were a good deal silent; and I shall not easily forget the dewy silence and sweetness of it all. —From "The Diary of Arthur Christopher Benson, edited by PRYOR LYNCH."

A Gentleman Among the Nations

My sons are fond of having their joke over their father's pride in the achievements of his people, and at the marvellous influence which their institutions have had upon the fundamental institutions of the United States. But as the history of America becomes more and more honestly written and given to boys, so larger and larger will loom the debt which this land owes to the Netherlands. The people of the Netherlands are proud of the fact that they were the source of so many of the institutions of this greatest of all countries on earth today, but they are proud of what the United States has done with them to bring them to their fullest accomplishment. They have been quiet about it, and have sought to set up no claims. It is not in the Dutch to boast of their achievements. They invariably leave that as they have left their past for history to record and tell.

In the Netherlands, a few years ago, a publisher decided that his country should follow the lead of other nations and have a Dutch Who's Who. Immediately he encountered the national feeling that publicity is a state of exposure that the Hollander shuns rather than seeks. . . . Yet the Hollander will read with avidity the memoirs or autobiographies of men and women of other nations; in fact, even of a Hollander, but only if he has left his native land. The people of the Netherlands accepted "The Americanization of Edward Bok" as the most convincing proof of the author's Americanization!

Let us read aright the history of these people behind the dykes, from authoritative sources, and surprise always grows as the realization comes home how little, in all her years of turmoil and conquest, she has asked of the world and how much she has given to it. No nation has asked so little; few nations have given more. Some one has given a "fine description of a gentleman as one who always gives more than he asks or takes. If we accept that definition, then it follows that the Kingdom of the Netherlands comes pretty close to being, by right of history, a gentleman among the nations of the world."—Edward W. Bok, in "Twice Thirty."

Forbedring

Översættelse af Artiklen om Christian Science, som forekommer paa Engelsk paa denne Side

TEGENE paa, at der i Tanken under en Forandring Sted med Hensyn til Fængselsstugt, tager til. Mere og mere viden om erkendes det, at denne Tugt snarere bør være forbedrende end straffende. De der tænker klart over dette Spørgsmaal, ser, at et Tidsskrift af Indespærret kan—til Bedste for dem, der er under Straf—frembringe en værdifuld Lærlighed til at sætte saadanne Indsigelser i Virksomhed, som vil oprejde dem og vil sende dem tilbage med fornyet Haab og Mod til at indtage nyttige Stillingen i Samfundet, mere dygtigjorte end før og udrustede til at give sig i Kast med den menneskelige Tilværelses Problemer og til at udføre de Pligter, som de stilles Ansigt til Ansigt med. Den væsentligste Faktor i denne Bevægelse for at forbedre Fængsler, er uden Tvivl Christian Science, som i forskellige Virksomheder—former går sin hellige, kærlige Tjeneste gældende overfor den store Mængde indespærrede Straffensalder.

Men Begrebet Forbedring kan anvendes i al Almindelighed. Mrs. Eddy skriver i "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures" (Side 215): "Mænd og Kvinder under alle Himmelskræfter og alle Racer er endnu Trælle af den materielle Sans, vridende om, hvorledes de skal opnaa deres Frihed." Det er Materialitet, som udsætter dem for Fængsel, der henvises til i Bibelsteder, saasom i dette fra Esajas: "Til at udføre bundne af Fængsel, dem, som sidder i Mørke, af Fængselskædet." Dødelige er Trælle, men for største Delen mærker de ikke sit Slaveri. De fryder sig ofte over deres indlidsede Frihed! Dog, enhver, der er vidende om sin virkelige Stilling som et af Guds Frihedsmennesker—enhver, der vil sig, enhver, der tror paa Materiens Virkelighed og Magt—indespærret i de fysiske Sansers Fængsel.

I en Mængde Tilfælde synes det at kræve en paa en Erfarer at en eller anden Art for at frembringe den Virkeliggørelse, at Mennesker er Slaver, fordi de er underkastet Frygt, Synd, Sygdom og andre Former af ond. Intet normalt Menneske ønsker at være under Trængsel, især ikke efter, at Trældommen gennem Savn eller Lidelser er blevet bevrøget. Alle Mennesker ønsker at være frie; og det er i Overensstemmelse med den guddommelige Hensigt, at de skal glæde sig over at være fritaget for enhver Slags Betrængning. Til en Verden, der er trælsbundet af Synd, forkynner Christian Science en praktisk Plan for en altomfattende Frihed, der overgår alt, hvad Mennesker hidtil har forestillet sig; men for at opnaa denne fuldstændige Befrielse er der en Betingelse, som er absolut nødvendig, nemlig Forbedring. I Science and Health læser vi (Side 5): "Sorgen over at have gjort Uret er kun et Skridt henimod Forbedring, og det aller letteste Skridt. Det næste og store Skridt, som Visdommen kræver, er Beviset paa vor Oprigtighed—Forbedring." Og dette maa ikke være nogen lunken Opgave, i hvilken man kun gaar halvejs til Værk, men det maa være en Forbedring af Karakteren, en Forbedring, som grundigt, gennemført, strækkende sig til den fælgende Tanke og til den ubetydeligste Enkelthet i den dag-

Reform

Written for The Christian Science Monitor

SIGNS multiply that a reversal of thought is taking place concerning the purpose of prison discipline. It is being more and more widely recognized that this discipline should be reformative rather than punitive. Those who think clearly upon this question perceive that a period of incarceration may afford a valuable opportunity to set in operation, on behalf of those under penalty, such influences as will rehabilitate them, sending them forth with renewed hope and courage to occupy positions of usefulness in the social order, better qualified and equipped than before to grapple with the problems of human existence and to perform the duties confronting them. Unquestionably the most potent factor in this movement for the betterment of the prisoner is Christian Science, which, in various forms of activity, is bringing its holy, loving ministrations to bear upon a multitude within our penal institutions.

But the subject of reform is of general application. Mrs. Eddy writes in "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures" (p. 225): "Men and women of all climes and races are still in bondage to material sense, ignorant how to obtain their freedom." It is materiality that constitutes the prison referred to in Biblical passages such as this from Isaiah: "To bring out the prisoners from the prison, and them that sit in darkness out of the prison house." Mortals are bondmen, but for the most part they are not aware of their enslavement. Indeed, they often glory in their imagined liberty! Yet everyone who is not cognizant of his real status as one of God's freemen—everyone, that is, who is believing in the reality and power of matter—is confined in the dungeon of physical sense.

In a majority of cases it seems to require an afflictive experience of some sort to bring home the realization that men are slaves because subject to fear, sin, disease, or other forms of evil. No normal person desires to remain under restraint, especially after the bondage has become irksome through privation or suffering. All men want to be free; and it is in accord with the divine purpose that they should enjoy exemption from limitations of every kind. To a sin-enamored world Christian Science announces a practical plan of universal emancipation surpassing anything previously conceived of by mankind; but in order to gain this complete release, one requirement is absolutely essential, namely, reform. In Science and Health we read (p. 5): "Sorrow for wrongdoing is but one step towards reform and the very easiest step. The next and great step required by wisdom is the test of our sincerity, namely, reformation." And this must be no half-hearted business, in which half-way measures are employed, but an amendment of character that is radical, thoroughgoing, extending to the inmost thought and the minutiae of the daily round. This reform can come only through right, scientific thinking, and its consequent, right doing moment by moment. If this should seem to anyone a hard task, let him learn that whatever of evil

enthalls humanity is unreal, untrue; hence, powerless. This is the glorious revelation of Christian Science, that nothing can continue to bind those who acquire an understanding of man's eternal state of harmony as God's child. The prison walls of earthly falsities give way and vanish into nothingness before the discernment of the allness of God and the perfection of man in His likeness.

As this message of Truth is welcomed and one's life is patterned in conformity therewith, a new and satisfying mental viewpoint is attained; false concepts are eliminated; wrong habits are abandoned; fear is overcome; disease is conquered. In proportion to the thoroughness of this renovating process, immunity from error is realized.

Numerous attempts at personal reform through good resolutions, exercise of will-power, removal to supposedly more favorable surroundings, or some other kindred expedient, have time and again ended in failure, because they were not based upon the divine Principle which Christian Science elucidates. The ever operative Principle, divine Mind, or God, is present everywhere, and is ever available for all to utilize in solving their difficulties. No change of location is requisite to take advantage of its beneficent power. No better place exists in which to begin the work of transformation than one's present environment. Joseph, of whom we read in the Old Testament Scriptures, was progressively faithful to his high standard of conduct while in prison. He was busily engaged in apprehending the spiritual freedom and dominion, fulfilling the trusts committed to his charge. As a reward, he obtained deliverance and honor. Similarly, as recorded in Acts, Paul and Silas in the jail at midnight, knowing the omnipresence of God, prayed and sang praises to God. Then occurred their marvelous liberation.

Today there is an increasing recognition of the fact that the discipline of the prison of mortal beliefs is not punitive, but reformative, since God is always Love; and a happy throng of healed and transformed individuals the world over are bearing grateful testimony to the power of scientific Christianity to purify and emancipate. The vital consideration for us all is, Are we constantly letting divine Love rule in our consciousness, thus effecting such a decisive reformation as to make certain a growing fulfillment of Paul's words in his epistle to the Romans, "The creature itself also shall be delivered from the bondage of corruption into the glorious liberty of the children of God?"

(In another column will be found a translation of this article into Danish.)

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EDITORIALS

The I. L. P. and Mr. MacDonald

THE difference between Ramsay MacDonald and last year's National Council of the Independent Labor Party, which came to a head at the Leicester conference recently, is only to a limited extent of a personal character. There are some members of the I. L. P. who dislike Mr. MacDonald's somewhat austere and reserved temperament, and the occasional brusqueness of his criticism. But the older members of the party, who shared with him the hard work of building it up, have not qualified their personal regard, and while they may now differ from him on various matters, they do not believe that any attempt should be made from within the party to suppress his criticisms or the free expression of his own views.

This explains the remarkable letter of protest, signed by about sixty I. L. P. Labor members of Parliament and a number of other old colleagues, when the National Council decided recently to exclude Mr. MacDonald from the I. L. P. delegation to the next Labor Party Conference by refusing to nominate him for the office of treasurer of the Labor Party. For many years the I. L. P. has regarded it as a special privilege to nominate their most distinguished leader to this office, and the refusal to do it this year constituted the most spectacular method that could have been chosen to indicate to the world at large that a wide cleavage has developed.

At Leicester Mr. MacDonald's friends, following the lead given by those who had signed the letter of protest, tried hard to obtain a reversal of the decision, but they were heavily outvoted by the young delegates of the extreme left wing section who are mainly responsible for the policy of trying to harmonize the fundamentally different political methods of Communism and parliamentary Socialism of the "reformist" type. A rather complicated situation which reflects all the difficulties created in the British Labor movement by Communist and semi-Communist propaganda has been brought about by this event.

Many of the older I. L. P. leaders who have watched with growing distrust and concern the development of the "Socialism in our time" policy, which has for its aim the committal of the next Labor Government to certain rigid formulas and measures, are now likely to concern themselves less with the work of the I. L. P. and more with that of the Labor Party. It was noticeable at Leicester, indeed, that a number of the best-known parliamentary members were not present, while the discussions were left almost entirely to the youthful delegates whose ideas reflected all the defects of political immaturity.

This state of affairs alarmed the newly elected National Council, which is predominantly right wing, and the announcement made at the close of the conference on the MacDonald incident indicated a desire to repair the damage as far as possible without actually "climbing down." All these confused cross currents are perhaps inevitable in the circumstances. The Labor Party, following its disillusioning experience in office and the unreasoning industrial events of last year, has now to discover a practical policy within the limits of gradual achievement. The task is confused by the impetuous desire to make swift progress toward Socialism on the part of those who have not realized the difficulties to be faced by a party in office. While this issue remains undecided complete harmony and unity in the party would seem to be impossible.

Detroit and Her Wet Neighbor

THE new Ontario Liquor Law will go into effect on the sixteenth of May. Already it is serving as a text for brightly imaginative articles on the part of staff correspondents of wet newspapers in the United States. Already it is bringing to quiet Canadian residence cities, like Windsor, undesirable publicity, such as being called "the Tia Juana of the North." There are Americans, doubtless too, there are many Canadians, who know something of the wretched group of saloons and gambling houses just across the Mexican border south from San Diego. We do not think that those having such knowledge will find much of compliment in the new title which is being applied to Canadian border cities as a result of Ontario's pronouncement for liquor.

One of the most ridiculous, and perhaps even deplorable, articles on this subject appeared in a recent number of the New York Herald Tribune. The writer forwards his views from Detroit, a city which he says is tired of being known "as a mere incubator for automobiles, and finds in 'Ontario's Liquor Law an opportunity to make itself known to the country's motorists.' Detroit today is one of the wonder cities of the United States. Its great factories employ hundreds of thousands of men at wages appreciably higher than those obtainable in other cities. Its growth in the last 15 years has been phenomenal, and the cottages of its working people spread far up and down the banks of the Detroit River, and deep into the interior. How much of joy and satisfaction it is going to find in thus being depicted by the New York paper as abandoning its industrial fame to serve as a mere anteroom to a vast Canadian saloon, we will leave it to the Detroit newspapers to declare.

It does not need a long memory to recall the fact that only two or three years ago, the increase in the alcoholic content of beer obtainable in the Canadian Province of Ontario was hailed by the wet newspapers of the United States as an occasion for the enormous development of the Canadian side of the river, and the great satisfaction of Detroiters. Nothing of the sort happened. The wets who were discontented with beer of low alcoholic content were equally discontented with the slight additional "kick" applied to it. They always will be discontented with any limitation whatsoever upon the freedom of the individual to get drunk when and where and how he pleases. The great profits then expected to accrue to Detroit did not follow. Detroiters continued to use the Canadian side of the river for their summer residences just as they did decades before pro-

hibition went into effect, and as they will in future, irrespective of what the liquor law may be on either side of the river.

The brilliant correspondent of the Herald Tribune notes the construction of a bridge between Detroit and the Canadian shore as a happy outcome of the more liberal liquor legislation, but the bridge company has been chartered for many years, and steps toward the construction of the edifice were taken three or four years ago. Because fifty-seven hotels have been opened in Detroit the implication is amusingly expressed that their construction is mainly with a view to housing the thirsty from other parts of the country. We think this matter might safely be left to the attention of the Detroit Association of Commerce.

But the proximity of Detroit to such an alcoholic center as Walkerville, the site of the largest distillery in Canada, and the ease with which liquor can be brought across the river has long had its effect both on social customs in that city and on its reputation. The curious part of it is that ever since the systematic war upon the prohibition law began, Detroit has been depicted as a town in which liquor was more readily obtainable than anywhere else in the United States. It has even been said it was easier to get there than in the Canadian cities themselves. We have seen the number of "speak-easies" in the city estimated at 10,000. And notwithstanding the fact that the greatest of the automobile factories in that city puts a positive ban on drinking among its employees, the impression has been sedulously cultivated that the chief occupation of the Detroit workman is to go from one to another of these little concealed resorts.

Now if that personal liberty to afflict the human system with alcohol has been so conserved in Detroit during these past years, why should the mere rumor that liquor can be obtained after May 15 across the river by people who are willing to pay \$2 for a permit to buy it, and who are willing to establish a residence over there in order to drink it, cause the correspondent of the New York paper to forecast the coming of over 1,000,000 tourists during the summer season? If all this freedom has actually existed in Detroit, why should this great appeal be found in Canada's proffer of liquor, hedged about by innumerable regulations as to the method of procuring and consuming it?

The enactment of the Ontario Liquor Law was in our judgment a serious political and economic blunder which will react upon the party responsible for it. But it will not be at all surprising if four years from now we find it denounced as unsatisfactory in precisely the way that the provision of beer of a higher alcoholic content was denounced by the wets who caused it to be enacted into law.

Does the Press Shirk Its Duty?

IN AN address recently delivered before an audience of newspaper men in New York, Albert C. Ritchie, Governor of Maryland, emphasized what he sees as the need that American newspapers appreciate more fully than he believes they now do their responsibilities to the public as forums in which are discussed the really vital political issues of the day. With no apparent desire to flatter his auditors, the speaker expressed his opinion that the press is the logical and most effective leader in presenting these and their related problems, and that it is remiss in its duty unless it performs its proper functions.

Governor Ritchie claims to have discovered a tendency in America to regard politics, in its fundamental and larger aspects, as relatively inconsequential. It is quite possible that this may be accounted for by the fact that as between the two major parties it is difficult for even an observing student to discover any actual difference regarding really important public policies. But it should not be forgotten that there never was a time in the history of the country when greater transformations in the social and economic life of its people were taking place than at the present day and hour. It is because, to outward appearances, all is well, that politics, in its deeper significance, fails to grip the attention and hold the interest of the people, either as individuals or as partisans.

In seeking to emphasize the importance of keeping before the public the realization that those things which are sometimes lightly appreciated can be preserved only by eternal vigilance, Governor Ritchie expressed the view that the present civilization and its superstructure rest on a political basis. "There are," he said, "certain old, fundamental truths of public policy, and democratic government, certain proved principles of justice and liberty, which a nation forgets at its peril." He continued, "Deep and fundamental forces are at work which, possibly sooner than we think, may find expression in political acts and facts which will be constructive or destructive, progressive or retrogressive, according as the people shape and direct them."

The presentation of the matter in this form prompts the pertinent query whether, in fact, that somewhat intangible composite which is referred to as the body politic is drawing upon the capital which preceding generations of thoughtful and courageous citizens have provided. The structure which has been built up under the keen competition of aspiring and resourceful statesmen and their partisans has come to be regarded with admiration by the peoples of what may be said to be less fortunate nations. Yet as we look back it is discovered that no really infallible political rule or formula has been evolved or set down.

But even though this rule is found to be lacking, there is reassurance in the realization that recognized social, economic and political fundamentals have been proved by experience. These, however, cannot be preserved automatically. The present is an age of tremendous and rapid changes. Human thought, unrestrained, is revolutionary. As the bitterness of experiences in wandering from the beaten path is forgotten, the tendency is to listen to the allurements of some untried and visionary system which is declared to offer to the adventurer rewards which can never be realized. Perhaps the average citizen and voter cares little for the details and the intricacies of either municipal, state or national civil government. With an eye to what he may regard as the main chance, he

possibly concerns himself as to the adjustment of some problem which immediately affects himself or his particular industry or business, but as to those questions which affect the general welfare he evinces no special concern.

How is this needed vital interest to be aroused? If the function is to be performed by the newspapers, it must be by the presentation of these problems in such a way that their discussion will be made so vitally interesting that they cannot be ignored. It is assumed that the people of the United States look disapprovingly upon the political transitions which have taken place within recent years in some of the countries of the Old World. They would not elect, voluntarily, to exchange what they proudly boast as a democracy for any form of political and industrial dictatorship. Dictatorships, they will insist, are for those who fail to govern themselves or those who refuse to be governed by those methods with which they have become dissatisfied. But it should be remembered that there can be no such thing as automatic government. This leaves a narrow and almost indistinguishable line between operative democracy and a constitutional or a military dictatorship. An expression of mere preference for one form and abhorrence of the other is not enough. A free people has not performed its full duty by simply making that choice.

No one, so far as is known, has claimed that the establishment of a dictatorship results from progressive advancement toward political, industrial or religious freedom. It is a mark of retrogression rather than of progression. It is prescribed, in whatever form it assumes, as the penalty for failure to grasp and hold those liberties which we all cherish, but which we seem sometimes to regard too lightly.

Garden Time in New York City

IT IS garden time in New York City. Apartment dwellers may have to take their gardens vicariously, but the point is that they take them. The blossoms may not have grown where now they flaunt their color and fragrance, any more than clusters of daisies, buttercups and apple blossoms are natural to the lapels of women's coats, but the desire for flowers has brought about a transplanting of someone else's growing, a fact which shows that New Yorkers and Kansans are not so different under the skin, in spite of any metropolitan veneer of hard, shiny lacquer.

The two urns before the doors of a Fifth Avenue bank have produced their annual crop of pink-and-white English daisies—with the help of a florist. The top of the porte-cochère of a Fifty-seventh Street shop has burgeoned forth with its usual profusion of glossy green bushes and vines—which came out of a drayman's cart the other day. Two pocket handkerchief lawns in front of Fifth Avenue mansions have round formal gardens massed with pink and white and mauve hydrangeas, pink geraniums and yellow and bronze tulips, which came out of pots just as the brave little pansy plants which are rearing their heads above shabby boxes along the brick blocks in Amsterdam and Eighth Avenues. Crocks of pale yellowed hyacinth plants and Easter lilies long past blossoming have been wired to the window sills on Second and Third Avenues above the feeble streets, to remain so long as there is a shred of stalk left.

The lilacs are here. True, they are not raising their proud plumes above their native bushes, but in great clusters before the florists' shops they may be had at the magnificently low price of 50 cents, and many an office clerk or busy housewife has enjoyed their satiny fragrance as they graciously unfold on desk or in window.

Best of all are the parks, the city's gift to her flower-hungry millions. White narcissi and tulips have been sowed with lavish hand on sheltered slopes, bringing long-drawn "Oh's" and "Ah's" from those who circle the paths. The early cherry blossoms are wistfully bowing under their load of white bloom like an early Victorian lady, while behind them are the ruddy branches of the later blossoming kind, rosy red from the trunk to the outmost tip of twig as well as petal.

Other cities may have their back yards, but so long as New York keeps her parks free from encroachment and retains her wide window sills there will be no lack of gardening and of the growth which seems doubly precious because it is accomplished in spite of handicaps.

Random Ramblings

William Wrigley Jr., the gum manufacturer, has offered his western home as a vacation place for President Coolidge. Wonder what the advertising value of the headline "The President Choose(s) Wrigley's" might be?

A banker in Los Angeles declares that a boy today thinks less of a quarter than his father did of a nickel. Possibly because he feels the purchasing value is less.

The airplane may still lack firm standing in bird-dom, but even the eagle can hardly look down on one which soars 24,303 feet in the air.

Isn't it strange that while a coal strike usually brings a cessation of industry, a gold strike almost always brings an increase?

"What is a first page without a murder?" asked the Boston Herald. Pretty good news, everyone will agree.

Many a mother knows that it isn't only in Italy that black hands have led to black shirts.

Some reports from Moscow would indicate that the Red flag is largely composed of tape.

It is easy enough to fall into debt. It's climbing out that often proves difficult.

Many a librarian can speak volumes in a few choice words.

The wets should remember that all statistics are dry.

Add to signs of warm weather—the detour marks.

The early birdman will get the Paris flight prize.

There's a C of difference between Cal. and AL.

The Diary of a Political Pilgrim

FROM A LONDON CORRESPONDENT

THE adjournment of Parliament for the spring holidays affords a good opportunity for taking stock of the political situation in Great Britain as it has been affected by the events of the last few months. The Conservative Party under Mr. Baldwin has been in office for two and a half years, and can stay in office under the Constitution for nearly as long again. How does it stand today?

It started the year at a discount. It had gained enormously by its handling of the general strike. It had lost hardly less by its handling of the coal strike. Whether it could have done anything effective to end the coal strike cannot be either proved or disproved. But public opinion is not discriminating in matters of this kind and it thought that the Government had bungled the situation.

Since the New Year, however, the Government has gained, at any rate as against the Labor Party, by its action in China. Public opinion was vehemently opposed to any policy which might lead to anything like war in China. When the Government announced its intention of sending troops to Shanghai there was a moment of disquiet, lest it might be the first step toward a new war. The Labor Party opposed the dispatch of troops and called for negotiations alone or for the withdrawal of foreigners from China altogether.

Events, however, first at Hankow, then at Shanghai, and later at Nanking, have abundantly justified the presence of the Government. There is still no desire for intervention in China in any shape or form. But people have seen that the Nationalist leaders have very little control over the Communist elements, that these Communist elements are willing, if not anxious, to attack foreigners and their property, and that without foreign troops on the spot there would have been no security either for persons or legitimate property rights in the foreign settlements.

There is general support, therefore, for the policy which the Government has so far pursued, namely, a policy of negotiating on liberal and moderate lines with the two de facto governments in China for a permanent revision of the out-of-date treaties, coupled with active steps to protect the British nationals in the coastal treaty ports. How long that support would continue if the Government found itself dragged into expensive or dangerous complications in China is another matter.

So far as domestic affairs are concerned, the only important legislation which the Government has introduced this session has been the Trade Unions Bill. It is too early as yet to estimate the effect of this measure on the political situation. In theory the case for the four main features of the bill is very strong. There is little to be said on abstract grounds against making a general strike illegal; against protecting the individual against intimidation; against requiring the individual to take the initiative in subscribing to political purposes, and against compelling civil servants to form trade unions of their own and not unions affiliated either with other unions or with political parties.

The practical problem, however, is not so simple as this. Is the bill so drafted that it can reasonably be regarded as an attack on trade unionism as such, in the interest of the employers? If so, it might start a revival of class feeling and antagonism which would do more harm to national unity than the enactment of the law could do good. Again, there is no doubt that the defeat of the general strike and of the coal strike has produced a deep movement of self-questioning in the trade unions. May not this challenge restore the influence of the extremists and hinder that recovery of trade prosperity which is the most important necessity for lasting industrial peace?

At the time of writing, the portents are uncertain. The Labor Party and the trade-union officials are preparing a great popular campaign against the bill as being an attack on trade unionism. It remains to be seen whether the rank and file trade unionists accept this interpretation.

The World's Great Capitals: The Week in Berlin

WALKING up and down the aisle in the cabin will not affect the stability of the airplane. "There is no need to feel uneasy if the engines lower their speed or cease running." In making a curve an airplane is apt to tilt. "While starting and landing the passengers are requested to strap themselves to the seats with the belts provided for this purpose." These are a few of the recommendations and reassurances given to air passengers in the chapter entitled, "Hints to Passengers," contained in the new summer time-table of the German Luft Hansa Company, which has just been published here. Methods to render the roar of the engines less objectionable are also suggested, and the passengers are informed that it is not necessary to dress in any other but a normal way when traveling by air.

The last hint undoubtedly applies to those persons who arrive at the airdromes dressed as if they were starting on a polar expedition or were about to participate in an automobile race. Despite the reassuring nature of these hints, it is easily to be read between the lines that flying is yet a rather unusual experience. That it nevertheless is gaining in popularity becomes evident from the fact that not less than 56,268 persons traveled by the airplanes of the Luft Hansa last year. Though this figure may seem very small when compared with the millions using the railway each week, it shows a remarkable progress in flying as compared with previous years. In 1925, for instance, the Luft Hansa counted only 32,000 passengers, while in the preceding year their number amounted to merely 21,000. Moreover, the small number of airplanes in use today—the Luft Hansa had about 110 last year—as compared with the large number of trains in operation should not be overlooked in considering these figures.

"We will change your watch into a twenty-four-hour watch in a few minutes," is the wording of a poster outside a watchmaker's store in the Friedrich Strasse station. The addition of an inner circle on the dial, showing the figures from thirteen to twenty-four for the hours from one p. m. until midnight, is necessary, he avers, since the twenty-four-hour clock has now been introduced by the railways, post and telegraph, street car and underground companies. Now also the German army and navy have adopted this clock, which, it is believed, will be of advantage since it will prevent the occurrence of errors in the naming of time in military orders. It cannot be said, however, that the public is very enthusiastic about the new clock. It cannot accustom itself to saying thirteen o'clock instead of one o'clock, or twenty-three o'clock instead of eleven o'clock in the night.

If all the building plans being discussed at present are realized, Berlin will be greatly improved this year. One is to pull down two hotels on Potsdamer Platz which had been occupied by the International Military Control Commission since the war and which are in a very dilapidated condition. In their place two skyscraper office buildings are to be erected, it is said. A new large office building will also be built in the Bellevue Strasse almost opposite the Hotel Esplanade. The Hotel Excelsior, which prides itself on being the largest on the Continent, will build two swimming baths on its premises for its guests, one for ladies and one for men.

Work on a tunnel connecting this hotel with the Anhalter station, the terminus for most of the trains to and from southern Germany, Austria, Italy and Switzerland, will be commenced shortly. On Kurfuerstendamm, the Broadway of Berlin, a new motion picture theater for 2000 persons, a new theater with a seating capacity of 750 persons and a large hotel are to be erected. One of the buildings facing the church at the end of this handsome

of the bill, and whether public opinion thinks that, with some detailed amendments in committee, it is on the whole a sound bill or not. The prestige of the Government will depend a great deal upon the verdict which public opinion will pronounce after the campaign of the next few weeks.

Mr. Churchill's budget has undoubtedly been a success. People had been apprehensive of an increase in taxation. They were annoyed that the expenditure of the Government had increased instead of being diminished, as Mr. Churchill had promised. They were afraid that it would be necessary to "raid" the sinking fund on the debt. Mr. Churchill, by a series of dexterous expedients, has been not only able to remove these apprehensions and to balance the budget, but even to increase the sinking fund with no burdensome increase of taxation at all. This will certainly accrue to the credit of the Government.

What effect the decision of the Government to give votes to women on the same terms as men will have is very difficult to estimate. Hitherto under the compromise agreed to during the war women have had the vote at thirty while men have had it at twenty-one. The new act will add some 5,000,000 women to the electoral roll, which will mean that there will be a considerable majority of women voters, owing to the great number of men who fell during the war or who have emigrated to other countries in recent years.

The Conservative Party tends to think that on the whole the woman's vote is cast for a conservative policy and against radical change. The Labor Party tends to think that the vast majority of women are working women and that the "flapper vote," as it has been called, will therefore inure to their benefit. The actual outcome no one can possibly foretell. But everybody seems to agree that the Liberal Party, which has not been one of the two dominant parties since women's franchise came into being, will suffer.

The Liberals, however, have been greatly heartened of late by two victories in by-elections, at Leeds and South-wark. The victories are of no importance, so far as their effect on voting in the House of Commons is concerned. But the fact that, after a long period of internal quarreling and electoral disaster, the Liberals have been able to win two elections, undoubtedly puts them back on the political map again. It is an answer to the often repeated statement that they could never win another election because the country had fully decided that it had no use for a middle party and wanted a straight choice between the Conservative and the Labor parties.

The Labor Party has been rent by division between the moderates and the extremists since the general and the coal strikes last year. It is united far more by emotion than by practical policy. It believes, however, that the necessity for fighting the Government's trades union bill will restore harmony within its ranks and that it will win 100 seats at the next election. Should it do this, it would have about 260 out of 615 seats in the next House of Commons.

It would seem, therefore, that there has been no very marked change in the political situation in the last six months. The Conservatives are somewhat "down," but that was practically inevitable, as their majority in the House is artificial in the sense that, though they polled less than half the votes, they won practically two-thirds of the seats, and they have to bear the odium which invariably accumulates against the party in power.

Their rivals, on the other hand, are not very much "up." For a time Labor showed a continuous record of advance as against the Liberals, but of late the Liberals have begun to turn the tide. The truth is that the country is not thinking about elections at all. It had three elections from 1922 to 1924, and it does not want another until near the appointed time two years hence. What it will think then nobody can now attempt to forecast with success.

boulevard is to be converted into a huge restaurant and café. The connections to the Berlin airport are also to be improved. A new subway station will be opened this year just outside the entrance to the airdrome and a street car and omnibus line will also end there.

Meanwhile Berlin, as usual at this time of the year, is undergoing a thorough spring cleaning. Wherever one goes one finds scaffolding up and workmen busy with cleaning and painting the house fronts. Many stores have withdrawn behind high board fences only to emerge modernized and freshly painted. The population like to see this, for they enjoy any improvement in the beauty of their city.

The anti-visitationists in Germany, who were compelled to reduce their efforts during the war, have once more increased their activity. A meeting was held by them in one of Berlin's largest concert halls recently, at which prominent leaders of their movement spoke.

An interesting sentence was pronounced by the laymen's court of a Berlin district recently, which acquitted a publisher who had published a book deriding certain doctrines of the churches. The counsel of defense stated that according to a recent decision of the Federal Court in Leipzig the law protected rites of the churches but not their doctrines against attacks. After a lengthy discussion the jury adopted the same view and acquitted the defendant.

Letters to The Christian Science Monitor

Brief communications are welcomed, but The Christian Science Monitor editorial board must reserve the right to edit, condense, and the Board does not hold itself or this newspaper responsible for the facts or opinions presented. Anonymous letters are destroyed unread.

"The Cabbage That Traveled Afar"

TO THE CHRISTIAN SCIENCE MONITOR: An editorial in the MONITOR entitled, "The Cabbage That Traveled Afar," quotes this line from Samuel Foote: "She went into the garden to cut a cabbage leaf to make an apple pie." The writer of the editorial appears to be under the impression that by some metamorphosis the cabbage leaf was to enter into the composition of the pie. Such is not the case. In my old Pennsylvania home, diligently presided over by a grandmother of Pennsylvania Dutch stock, Friday was the regular baking day. In summer the baking was done in the old brick Dutch oven, which stood apart from the house. The entire weekly supply of bread and pies was placed in the hot oven at one time, and my grandmother would often "go into the garden to cut a cabbage leaf," on which she would place a large apple turnover in the shape of a half moon to be baked in the Dutch oven, the cabbage leaf acting as a protection to the crust.

I do not know whether the cabbage leaf was supposed to impart an added virtue to the pie, but memory tells me that those apple turnovers were pies of ambrosial quality.

Long Beach, Calif.

"How About a Golden Rule Week?"

TO THE CHRISTIAN SCIENCE MONITOR: The letter recently published in the MONITOR under the caption, "How About a Golden Rule Week?" was very much appreciated by me. Its writer very fully expressed my own thoughts on the subject. It has always been the greatest wonder to me that the world at large has been so slow to realize its value.

Springfield, Mass.